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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1679

**Introduced by Representative Pantaleon D. Alvarez,
Representative Rodolfo C. Fariñas and Representative Danilo E. Suarez**

RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF CARMEN "CARMELING" PICHAY CRISOLOGO, FORMER GOVERNOR OF ILOCOS SUR AND MOTHER OF REPRESENTATIVE VINCENT "BINGBONG" P. CRISOLOGO OF THE FIRST DISTRICT OF QUEZON CITY

WHEREAS, Mrs. Carmen Pichay Crisologo, passed away on January 31, 2018 at the age of 94;

WHEREAS, *Carmeling*, as she was fondly called, was born to a wealthy and religious family on June 5, 1923, at Intramuros, Manila, and the youngest daughter of the late Don Rafael Pichay and Doña Felisa Moreno;

WHEREAS, *Carmeling* finished her elementary and secondary education at St. Scholastica's College in Manila; Bachelor of Science in Business Administration at the Philippine Women's University in 1961; and Master's degree in Public Administration at the University of the Philippines in 1977;

WHEREAS, a very influential woman leader, *Carmeling* was married to Floro Crisologo, the former Congressman of Ilocos Sur, which marriage was blessed with seven children, including Representative Vincent "*Bingbong*" Crisologo;

WHEREAS, as elected governor of Ilocos Sur from 1964 to 1971, former Governor *Carmeling* displayed high standards, strong determination and firm decision as she initiated and completed the construction of bridges, public hospitals and municipal town halls and developed relevant livelihood projects including the formation of FACOMA, a corporation that bought the tobacco planted by farmers;

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WHEREAS, former Governor *Carmeling* also led the modernization of the Virginia Tobacco Industry of Ilocos Sur which elevated the lives of Ilocano tobacco farmers with the organization of the North Tobacco Incorporated and, in 1967, established the re-drying plant in Vigan, Ilocos Sur, the present site of Fortune Tobacco Corporation;

WHEREAS, *Carmeling* was also instrumental in the development of the University of Northern Philippines, a university established by virtue of Republic Act No. 4449, which provided quality education to the youth of Ilocos Sur and nearby provinces at very affordable tuition fees

WHEREAS, *Carmeling* was also involved in religious and civic activities: she headed the Vigan Parish Council; organized the Vigan Catholic Women's League and the Mother Butlers' Mission Guild; strongly supported the Girl Scouts of Ilocos Sur by putting up the camping site in Banaoang, Bantay, Ilocos Sur, spearheaded the Anti-Tuberculosis Association; and campaigned for funds for the Philippine National Red Cross which earned her the *Doña Aragon Medal Award* from the said organization;

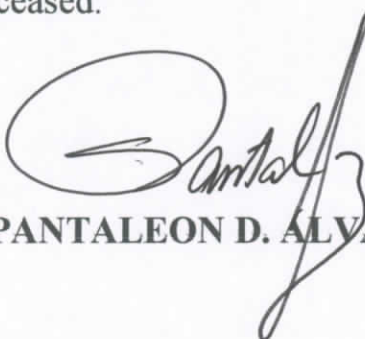
WHEREAS, during her time, *Carmeling* was one of the most influential women in Ilocos Sur politics, demonstrating the virtues of openness, honesty integrity, innovation, creativity, compassion and courage;

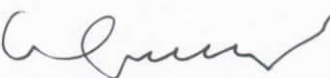
WHEREAS, a strong leader with a heart, a devoted wife and loving mother, former Governor *Carmeling* will be missed by her loved ones and the people of Ilocos Sur: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES To express the profound condolences of the House of Representatives to the family of Carmen "*Carmeling*" Pichay Crisologo, former Governor of Ilocos Sur and mother of Representative Vincent "*Bingbong*" P. Crisologo of the First District of Quezon City

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the bereaved family of the deceased.

Adopted,


PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ


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