



**THIRD REGULAR SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 136**

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF  
BANGSAMORO DIRECTOR-GENERAL SUHARTO A. ABAS TO  
THE BANGSAMORO PEOPLE AND THE BANGSAMORO  
GOVERNMENT, AND EXPRESSING DEEP SYMPATHIES TO HIS  
FAMILY FOR HIS PASSING**

**WHEREAS**, Suharto “Tho” Aron Abas returned to his Creator on June 28, 2021. He is survived by his wife, Fatima Mending, and their children;

**WHEREAS**, Abas was an active member of the Bangsamoro Student League in his youth and an alumnus of the Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program (SSEAYP);

**WHEREAS**, Abas was the former Manager of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Act for Peace program under the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), and a former Campaigns and Policy Adviser at Oxfam Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, Abas was appointed as Bangsamoro Director-General at the Ministry of Science and Technology, and was instrumental in the crafting of the Bangsamoro Science and Technology Research Council (BSTRC);

**WHEREAS**, Abas was a development specialist, community organizer and Moro activist, whose honesty and hard work will be greatly missed by those he served and worked alongside with;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, to recognize the contributions of Bangsamoro Director-General Suharto A. Abas to the Bangsamoro people and the Bangsamoro Government, and express deep sympathies to his family for his passing.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to his wife and family.

**ADOPTED**, July 13, 2021.

Certified Correct:

  
**PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL**  
Secretary General

Attested:

  
**ATTY. ALI PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG**  
Speaker

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