



THIRD REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 214

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING THE LATE BAI FATIMA
PALILEO SINSUAT FOR THE INVALUABLE SERVICE SHE HAS
RENDERED TO THE BANGSAMORO AND THE COUNTRY**

WHEREAS, Bai Fatima Palileo Sinsuat was a former member of the Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines, the highest governing body of the University and in the last 30 years, the first Muslim woman to be elected in the National Board of Philippine National Red Cross. Thereafter, she became Chair of the Board of the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) Cotabato Chapter;

WHEREAS, Bai Fatima participated in various organizations. She served as mayor of Upi from 1980 to 1986 and after some time was appointed as Chairperson of the Board of Investments of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM);

WHEREAS, a daughter of the so-called “strong man” Datu Blah Sinsuat and a true Maguindanao princess that she was, she helped her father in labor and later in 1986, she created and led a labor union, the Progressive Labor Union wherein all the dockworkers in Cotabato City became port members;

WHEREAS, after more than half a century of devotion and steadfastness to public service, Bai Fatima quietly passed away at the age of 82. She was described by Philippine Red Cross in its Facebook post as a true-blue Red Crosser, whose forty-seven years of loyal service to the Red Cross and her devotion to duty was widely recognized as well as her leadership in social welfare that extended to thousands who benefited from more than 5 decades of community service;

WHEREAS, in her service in the Board of Governors in the Philippine Red Cross, Bai Fatima had earned numerous awards and recognitions from the government and different sectors because of her outstanding dedication and support to blood donation programs;

WHEREAS, one of those notable achievements was in 2003 when she was awarded the National Outstanding Volunteer Award in Malacañan Palace for her blood donation advocacy in the Philippine Red Cross in Cotabato City and initiation of the Organization of International Humanitarian Law Core Group of PRC for the protection of the civilian population in times of armed conflict. Also worthy to mention is her becoming in 2005 a Gold Humanitarian Service Cross Awardee, as published in the UP website;

WHEREAS, a humanitarian, a true civic leader and a public servant, she dedicated most of her life and status to help her fellow Filipinos through her various projects and organizations that she had both established and steered;

WHEREAS, Bai Fatima, in the words of Philippine Red Cross Chairman Sen. Dick Gordon, was “a great woman leader of the Red Cross. She was very protective of Philippine Red Cross as an institution, and respected by all leaders in Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and Mindanao and throughout Philippine Red Cross. I am very close to her and I loved her as a sister. I will never forget her.”:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To commend and honor the late Bai Fatima Palileo Sinsuat for the invaluable service she has rendered to the Bangsamoro and the country.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, To forward the foregoing Resolution to the bereaved family, for information.

ADOPTED, Rajab 14, 1443/February 16, 2022.



Certified Correct:

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