

# Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao BANGSAMORO PARLIAMENT



Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City

#### FOURTH REGULAR SESSION

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 249**

## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ROBINHOOD "ABDULAZIS" PADILLA FOR PLACING NUMBER ONE SENATOR IN THE 2022 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, Robinhood "Abdulazis" Padilla has been elected as the number one senator during the May 9, 2022 National and Local Elections, having obtained more than twenty-six million votes and topping the senatorial race in thirteen regions including the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), the Cordillera Administrative Region, Ilocos Region, Cagayan Valley, Central Luzon, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro, Marinduque, Romblon, and Palawan (MIMAROPA), Central Visayas, Eastern Visayas, Zamboanga Peninsula, Northern Mindanao, Davao Region, South Cotabato, Sultan Kudarat, Sarangani and General Santos City, and Caraga Region;

WHEREAS, Senator-elect Robin Padilla won by a landslide across all provinces in the BARMM and placed number one among all senatorial aspirants. In the provisional results aggregated from Commission on Elections (COMELEC) data, the Senator-elect obtained a total of 1,461,373 votes in BARMM, wherein he got 171,227 votes in Basilan, 323,326 votes in Lanao del Sur, 519,867 votes in Maguindanao, 304,902 votes in Sulu, and 142,231 votes in Tawi-Tawi;

WHEREAS, Senator-elect Robin Padilla, prior to his election, has been a champion in advancing the rights and welfare of ordinary Filipinos such as the farmers and fisherfolks, the micro and small entrepreneurs, the overseas Filipino workers, the women and youth, and other vulnerable, underprivileged and marginalized sectors. He has also been consistent in the welfare and development of the Muslims and non-Muslims alike in the country through his charitable acts, quick response and relief assistance to disaster and calamity-stricken neighborhoods and families, support for the education of less fortunate children, and establishment of infrastructures and facilities essential to the communities such as cemeteries, water systems, housing, mosques, schools, and others;

WHEREAS, Senator-elect Robin Padilla, in the aftermath of the Marawi Siege, immediately organized *Tindig Marawi* through *Liwanag ng Kapayapaan* Foundation, Inc., to campaign for support and raise funds for the rehabilitation of Marawi City, for housing projects, and for the provision of assistance to the Internally Displaced People (IDP). The Senator-elect has purchased four hectares of land which he donated to the Bangsamoro Government for the construction of houses for the IDPs, donated PHP 5 million cash to the Department of Social Welfare and Development for the psychosocial intervention for children, provided PHP 5 million funding through Islamic microfinance for the establishment of enterprises of the IDPs, and funded the construction of deep wells for the IDPs;

WHEREAS, Senator-elect Robin Padilla, being the only Muslim Senator in the 19<sup>th</sup> Philippine Congress, and the first one since 1995, guarantees Muslim representation in the Senate and ensures the advancement of the welfare and protection of the rights of Muslims as well as the unity of the Filipino people as he pronounced in his victory speech during the proclamation of the winning senators that his being the top Senator symbolizes the unity of Muslims, Christians, and Lumads as one Filipino people;

WHEREAS, even before his candidacy, Senator-elect Robin Padilla has been a champion of peace and a fervent supporter of the peace process in Mindanao — from the signing of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro, to the enactment and ratification of the Bangsamoro Organic Law, to the extension of the term of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority — and that one of the major reasons in filing his candidacy is to protect and sustain peace and development in Mindanao, particularly in securing the Bangsamoro Organic Law;

WHEREAS, Senator-elect Robin Padilla will advance "Rebolusyunaryong Pagbabago" and push for, among others, the shift of the Philippine governance system into federal-parliamentary and

the enactment of measures that will promote direct investment, uplift the working conditions and income of the Filipino workers within and outside the country, strengthen the ecosystem for micro and small enterprises for ordinary Filipinos, institute social justice and economic development through cooperatives and social enterprises, community policing and community courts, ensure the continuity of anti-drug, anti-criminality and anti-communist efforts of the Duterte administration, and uphold the gains of the peace process and the Bangsamoro Organic Law:

### NOW, THEREFORE, be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To congratulate and commend Senator-elect Robinhood "Abdulazis" Padilla for being elected as the number one Senator in the 2022 National and Local Elections and the only Muslim Senator in the 19<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Philippines.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER,** That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Senator-elect Robinhood "Abdulazis" Padilla, for information.

ADOPTED, Dhu Al-Qa'dah 17, 1443/ June 16, 2022.

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PROF RABY B ANGKA

Attested:

ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDON

Speaker

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