



FIRST REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 288

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SINCERE APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE TO THE SENATE SPOUSES FOUNDATION, AUDREY ZUBIRI, TOOTSY ANGARA, AND KATHRYNA YU-PIMENTEL FOR PROVIDING MUCH NEEDED DISASTER RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE WHO SUFFERED CATASTROPHIC DAMAGE CAUSED BY SEVERE TROPICAL STORM PAENG

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2022, a severe tropical storm known as *Paeng* (international name: Nalgae) hit the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), resulting in significant destruction, loss of life, and damage to agriculture and critical infrastructure due to flooding, sea surge, and landslides;

WHEREAS, according to the Bangsamoro Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (BDRRMC), Severe Tropical Storm *Paeng* affected at least 570,285 individuals in the region, with 53 fatalities, 12 missing persons, and 38 injured persons;

WHEREAS, Severe Tropical Storm *Paeng* damaged 371 houses and partially damaged 480 others in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). The storm also caused significant damage to infrastructure and agriculture, with estimated losses of almost Six-Hundred Million Pesos;

WHEREAS, on October 29, 2022, Bangsamoro Chief Minister Ahod Ebrahim declared a state of calamity in the Bangsamoro Region due to the widespread damage and destruction brought about by Severe Tropical Storm *Paeng*;

WHEREAS, due to the complete devastation caused by Severe Tropical Storm *Paeng*, many people were left without access to basic supplies, including food, clean drinking water, and medical equipment. This necessitated urgent assistance and response efforts, including the procurement, transportation, and distribution of emergency relief commodities for the affected population;

WHEREAS, the Senate Spouses Foundation, Inc. (SSFI), headed by SSFI President Audrey Tan Zubiri, wife of Senate President Juan Miguel Zubiri, and SSFI members Tootsy Angara, wife of Sen. Sonny Angara, and Kathryn Yu-Pimentel, wife of Minority Leader Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III visited Cotabato City to distribute food packs and other relief goods, as part of their disaster relief initiative to the communities affected by Severe Tropical Storm *Paeng*;

WHEREAS, to alleviate the suffering of the people of the Bangsamoro, the Senate Spouses Foundation, Inc. (SSFI), through its President Audrey Zubiri, expressed their support and solidarity with the calamity-stricken families;

WHEREAS, the Senate Spouses Foundation, Inc. (SSFI) played a significant role in making sure that basic goods and relief supplies reached the people of the Bangsamoro region who were affected by the disaster; their proactive approach and compassion were instrumental in providing much-needed assistance to those in need:

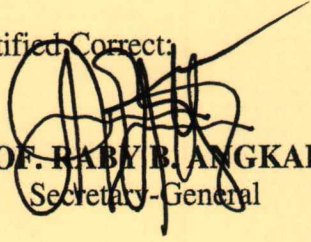
NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To extend its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the Senate Spouses Foundation Inc., Audrey Zubiri, Tootsy Angara, and Kathryn Yu-Pimentel for their quick response and assistance in the disaster relief efforts.

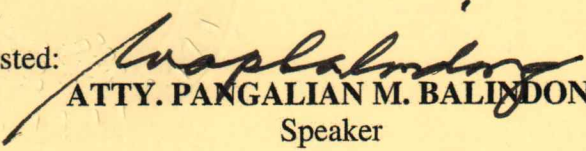
RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of the foregoing Resolution be presented to the Office of the Senate Spouses Foundation, Inc., Audrey Zubiri, Tootsy Angara, and Kathryn Yu-Pimentel, for information.

ADOPTED, *Jumada Al-Awwal 26, 1444/December 20, 2022.*

Certified Correct:


PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL
Secretary-General

Attested:


ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG
Speaker

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