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H. Res. No. 1852
H. Res. No. 1910

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RESOLUTION NO. 273

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PASSING OF PHILIPPINE CINEMA ICON LILY YU MONTEVERDE, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS MOTHER LILY, AND HONORING HER ENDURING LEGACY IN THE FILM INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, Ms. Lily Yu Monteverde, widely recognized in the Philippine film industry as “Mother Lily”, passed away on August 4, 2024 at the age of 85, leaving an indelible legacy in Philippine cinema and popular culture;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily, the founder of Regal Entertainment, Inc., was a visionary in the local entertainment industry, producing

nearly 300 films across various genres from the early 1960s, including iconic films, such as *Sister Stella L.*, *Shake, Rattle & Roll*, *Scorpio Nights*, *Relasyon*, and the widely beloved *Mano Po* series, which paid tribute to her Chinese-Filipino roots and resonated with audiences nationwide;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily began her career in the film industry with an initial loan that led to the acquisition and distribution of *All Mine to Give*, which was highly successful at the box office, establishing the foundation for what would become one of the most significant production companies in the country;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily's pioneering *pito-pito* system, which allowed for the production of films within seven days, facilitated the discovery and nurturing of esteemed filmmakers and actors, including celebrated auteurs like Lav Diaz and notable stars such as Maricel Soriano, Gabby Concepcion, Richard Gomez, and Snooky Serna, who rose to prominence under her guidance;

WHEREAS, she earned numerous accolades throughout her lifetime, including the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Cinemania International Film Festival, the Fernando Poe, Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award from the 37th Luna Awards in 2019, the *Inang Pelikulang Pilipino* Award in 2017, and the 2023 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Film Development Council of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily's profound impact on the film industry extended beyond production; she was regarded as a true mother figure to generations of Filipino filmmakers, artists, and industry workers, known for her kindness, unwavering support, and genuine care for their personal and professional growth;

WHEREAS, her life and legacy continue to serve as a testament to her passion, resilience, and dedication to the Filipino film industry, inspiring future generations of filmmakers, actors, and creative workers in the Philippines: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To express its deepest sympathies and condolences to the family of Lily Yu Monteverde and honor her remarkable contributions to the


Philippine film industry and her enduring legacy that will forever be cherished.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the bereaved family as a tribute to Mother Lily's life, legacy, and her invaluable role in shaping and promoting Filipino cinema.

Adopted,


FERDINAND MARTIN GROMUALDEZ
Speaker

This Resolution, in consolidation with House Resolutions Numbered 1852 and 1910, was adopted by the House of Representatives on November 13, 2024.


REGINALD S. VELASCO
Secretary General

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