

2017 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 348

Celebrating the life of Manuel Abuan Hipol, M.D.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 3, 2017

WHEREAS, Manuel Abuan Hipol, M.D., a patriotic veteran and a respected physician who supported and strengthened the Filipino American community in Virginia Beach, died on December 9, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a native of Manila, Philippines, Manuel Hipol proudly served as a member of the United States Army and the United States Navy for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, in 1980, Manuel Hipol opened the Hipol Clinic, where he practiced radiology until his well-earned retirement in 2014; affectionately known as "Dr. M," he provided expert treatment to countless patients and was a trusted mentor to other local medical professionals; and

WHEREAS, Manuel Hipol proudly helped Filipino immigrants integrate into society while preserving their culture and heritage; he served as founder and chair of the Council of United Filipino Organizations of Tidewater, where he oversaw the construction of the Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia, the largest such cultural center in the United States and the first to be paid for entirely by its community; and

WHEREAS, Manuel Hipol served as a past president of Association of Philippine Physicians in America and Filipino American Veterans of Hampton Roads; he also offered his time and leadership to the Virginia Marine Science Museum, Art and Humanities Commission in Virginia Beach, and the Contemporary Arts Center in Virginia Beach and was a devout Catholic; and

WHEREAS, Manuel Hipol will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by his wife of 44 years, Rose; children, Vivianne and Charrise, and their families; and numerous other family members, friends, and colleagues; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Manuel Abuan Hipol, M.D., a veteran, a caregiver, and an active member of the Virginia Beach community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Manuel Abuan Hipol, M.D., as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his memory.

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