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OPENING OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

At 10:00 a.m., pursuant to Section 18 (a), Rule VI of the House Rules, the Presiding Officer, Secretary General Mark Llandro “Dong” L. Mendoza, called the session to order.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Honorable Members of the House of Representatives, today is the fourth Monday of July 2022. The Constitution mandates that Congress convenes once every year on the fourth Monday of July to commence its Regular Session.

Pursuant to established parliamentary rules and practice, I hereby call the First Regular Session of the Nineteenth Congress to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please rise for the singing of the Philippine National Anthem to be led by Ms. Karla Estrada of the TINGOG Party-List.

Everybody rose for the singing of the Philippine National Anthem.

DOXOLOGY

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please remain standing for the doxology to be performed by Ms. Jona Carmeli B. Calibuso.

Everybody remained standing for the doxology.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Before we proceed, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines, Her Excellency, Sara Zimmerman Duterte.

Welcome to the House of Representatives.
(Applause)

The Deputy Secretary General of the Legislative Operations Department will now call the roll of Members of the House of Representatives elected from legislative districts, apportioned among the provinces, cities and municipalities, and party-list organizations in alphabetical order.

ROLL CALL

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Roll call of Members.
Honorable Representatives:

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR)

CITY OF CALOOCAN

First District

Hon. Oscar G. Malapitan

Second District

Hon. Mary Mitzi L. Cajayon-Uy

Third District

Hon. Dean Asistio

CITY OF LAS PIÑAS

Lone District

Hon. Camille A. Villar

CITY OF MAKATI

First District

Hon. Romulo “Kid” Peña Jr.

Second District

Hon. Luis N. Campos Jr.

CITY OF MALABON

Lone District

Hon. Josephine Veronique “Jaye” R.
Lacson-Noel

CITY OF MANDALUYONG

Lone District

Hon. Neptali M. Gonzales II

CITY OF MANILA

First District

Hon. Ernesto M. Dionisio Jr.

Second District

Hon. Rolando M. Valeriano

Third District

Hon. Joel R. Chua

Fourth District

Hon. Edward Vera Perez Maceda

Fifth District

Hon. Irwin C. Tieng

Sixth District

Hon. Bienvenido M. Abante Jr.

CITY OF MARIKINA

First District

Hon. Marjorie Ann A. Teodoro

Second District

Hon. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

CITY OF MUNTINLUPA

Lone District

Hon. Jaime R. Fresnedi

CITY OF NAVOTAS

Lone District

Hon. Tobias Reynald M. Tiangco

CITY OF PARAÑAQUE

First District

Hon. Edwin L. Olivarez

Second District

Hon. Gus S. Tambunting

PASAY CITY

Lone District

Hon. Antonino G. Calixto

PASIG CITY

Lone District

Hon. Roman T. Romulo

QUEZON CITY

First District

Hon. Juan Carlos “Arjo” C. Atayde

Second District

Hon. Ralph Wendel P. Tulfo

Third District

Hon. Franz S. Pumaren

Fourth District

Hon. Marvin D. Rillo

Fifth District

Hon. Patrick Michael D. Vargas

Sixth District

Hon. Marivic Co-Pilar

CITY OF SAN JUAN

Lone District

Hon. Ysabel Maria J. Zamora

CITY OF TAGUIG

(1ST COUNCILOR DISTRICT)-PATEROS

Lone District

Hon. Ricardo S. Cruz Jr.

CITY OF TAGUIG

(2ND COUNCILOR DISTRICT)

Lone District

Hon. Amparo Maria J. Zamora

CITY OF VALENZUELA

First District

Hon. Rex Gatchalian

Second District

Hon. Eric M. Martinez

REGION I - ILOCOS REGION

ILOCOS NORTE

First District

Hon. Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos

Second District

Hon. Angelo Marcos Barba

ILOCOS SUR

First District

Hon. Ronald V. Singson

Second District

Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan

LA UNION

First District

Hon. Francisco Paolo P. Ortega V

Second District

Hon. Dante S. Garcia

PANGASINAN

First District

Hon. Arthur F. Celeste

Second District

Hon. Mark O. Cojuangco

Third District

Hon. Ma. Rachel J. Arenas

Fourth District

Hon. Christopher V.P. De Venecia

Fifth District

Hon. Ramon N. Guico Jr.

Sixth District

Hon. Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas

REGION II - CAGAYAN VALLEY

BATANES

Lone District

Hon. Ciriaco B. Gato Jr.

CAGAYAN

First District

Hon. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Second District

Hon. Baby Aline Vargas-Alfonso

Third District

Hon. Joseph "Jojo" L. Lara

ISABELA

First District

Hon. Antonio "Tonypet" T. Albano

Second District

Hon. Ed Christopher S. Go

Third District

Hon. Ian Paul L. Dy

Fourth District

Hon. Joseph S. Tan

Fifth District

Hon. Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III

Sixth District

Hon. Faustino "Inno" A. Dy V

NUEVA VIZCAYA

Lone District

Hon. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma

QUIRINO

Lone District

Hon. Midy N. Cua

REGION III - CENTRAL LUZON

AURORA

Lone District

Hon. Rommel Rico T. Angara

BATAAN

First District

Hon. Geraldine B. Roman

Second District

Hon. Albert S. Garcia

Third District

Hon. Maria Angela S. Garcia

BULACAN

First District

Hon. Danny A. Domingo

Second District

Hon. Augustina Dominique C. Pancho

Third District

Hon. Lorna C. Silverio

Fourth District

Hon. Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica

Fifth District

Hon. Ambrosio C. Cruz Jr.

Sixth District

Hon. Salvador A. Pleyto

CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE

Lone District

Hon. Florida "Rida" P. Robes

NUEVA ECIJA

First District

Hon. Mikaela Angela B. Suansing

Second District

Hon. Joseph Gilbert F. Violago

Third District

Hon. Rosanna "Ria" V. Vergara

Fourth District

Hon. Emerson D. Pascual

PAMPANGA

First District

Hon. Carmelo "Jon" B. Lazatin II

Second District

Hon. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo

Third District

Hon. Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Anna York P. Bondoc

TARLAC

First District

Hon. Jaime D. Cojuangco

Second District

Hon. Christian Tell A. Yap

Third District

Hon. Noel “Bong” N. Rivera

ZAMBALES

First District

Hon. Jefferson F. Khonghun

Second District

Hon. Doris E. Maniquiz

REGION IV-A - CALABARZON

BATANGAS

First District

Hon. Eric R. Buhain

Second District

Hon. Gerville R. Luistro

Third District

Hon. Ma. Theresa V. Collantes

Fourth District

Hon. Lianda B. Bolilia

Fifth District

Hon. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño

Sixth District

Hon. Ralph G. Recto

CAVITE

First District

Hon. Ramon Jolo B. Revilla III

Second District

Hon. Lani Mercado-Revilla

Third District

Hon. Adrian Jay C. Advincula

Fourth District

Hon. Elpidio F. Barzaga

Fifth District

Hon. Roy M. Loyola

Sixth District

Hon. Antonio A. Ferrer

Seventh District

Eighth District

Hon. Aniela Bianca D. Tolentino

LAGUNA

First District

Hon. Ma. Rene Ann Lourdes G. Matibag

Second District

Hon. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez

Third District

Hon. Loreto S. Amante

Fourth District

Hon. Maria Jamina Katherine B. Agarao

CITY OF BIÑAN

Lone District

Hon. Marlyn “Len” B. Alonte

CITY OF CALAMBA

Lone District

Hon. Charisse Anne C. Hernandez-Alcantara

CITY OF SANTA ROSA

Lone District

Hon. Dan S. Fernandez

QUEZON

First District

Hon. Wilfrido Mark M. Enverga

Second District

Hon. David “Jay-jay” C. Suarez

Third District

Hon. Reynante U. Arroqancia

Fourth District

Hon. Keith Micah “Atty. Mike” D.L. Tan

RIZAL

First District

Hon. Michael John R. Duavit

Second District

Hon. Emigdio P. Tanjuatco III

Third District

Hon. Jose Arturo S. Garcia Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Juan Fidel Felipe F. Nograles

CITY OF ANTIPOLLO

First District

Hon. Roberto V. Puno

Second District

Hon. Romeo M. Acop

MIMAROPA

MARINDUQUE

Lone District

Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Lone District

Hon. Leody F. Tarriela

ORIENTAL MINDORO

First District

Hon. Arnan C. Panaligan

Second District

Hon. Alfonso V. Umali Jr.

PALAWAN

First District

Hon. Edgardo L. Salvame

Second District

Hon. Jose C. Alvarez

Third District

Hon. Edward S. Hagedorn

ROMBLON

Lone District

Hon. Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona

REGION V - BICOL REGION

ALBAY

First District

Hon. Edcel C. Lagman

Second District

Hon. Joey Sarte Salceda

Third District

Hon. Fernando T. Cabredo

CAMARINES NORTE

First District

Hon. Josefina B. Tallado

Second District

Hon. Rosemarie C. Panotes

CAMARINES SUR

First District

Hon. Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata

Second District

Hon. Luis Raymund "LRay" F. Villafuerte Jr.

Third District

Hon. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Arnie B. Fuentebella

Fifth District

Hon. Miguel Luis R. Villafuerte

CATANDUANES

Lone District

Hon. Eulogio R. Rodriguez

MASBATE

First District

Hon. Ricardo T. Kho

Second District

Hon. Olga "Ara" T. Kho

Third District

Hon. Wilton "Tonton" T. Kho

SORSOGON

First District

Hon. Marie Bernadette G. Escudero

Second District

Hon. Manuel L. Fortes Jr.

REGION VI - WESTERN VISAYAS

AKLAN

First District

Hon. Carlito S. Marquez

Second District

Hon. Teodorico Haresco Jr.

ANTIQUE

Lone District

Hon. Antonio "AA" B. Legarda Jr.

CAPIZ

First District

Hon. Emmanuel "Tawi" Billones

Second District

Hon. Jane T. Castro

GUIMARAS

Lone District

Hon. Ma. Lucille L. Nava, MD

ILOILO

First District

Hon. Janette L. Garin

Second District

Hon. Michael B. Gorriceta

Third District

Hon. Lorenz R. Defensor

Fourth District

Hon. Ferjenel G. Biron

Fifth District

Hon. Raul “Boboy” C. Tupas

CITY OF ILOILO

Lone District

Hon. Julianne “Jam” Baronda

NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

First District

Hon. Gerardo P. Valmayor Jr.

Second District

Hon. Alfredo D. Marañon III

Third District

Hon. Jose Francisco “Kiko” B. Benitez, PhD

Fourth District

Hon. Juliet Marie De Leon Ferrer

Fifth District

Hon. Emilio Bernardino L. Yulo

Sixth District

Hon. Mercedes K. Alvarez

CITY OF BACOLOD

Lone District

Hon. Greg G. Gasataya

REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS

BOHOL

First District

Hon. Edgar M. Chatto

Second District

Hon. Maria Vanessa C. Aumentado

Third District

Hon. Kristine Alexie B. Tutor

CEBU

First District

Hon. Rhea Mae A. Gullas

Second District

Hon. Edsel A. Galeos

Third District

Hon. Pablo John F. Garcia

Fourth District

Hon. Janice Z. Salimbangon

Fifth District

Hon. Vincent Franco “Duke” D. Frasco

Sixth District

Hon. Daphne A. Lagon

Seventh District

Hon. Peter John D. Calderon

CITY OF CEBU

First District

Hon. Rachel Marguerite B. Del mar

Second District

Hon. Eduardo R. Rama

CITY OF LAPU-LAPU

Lone District

Hon. Ma. Cynthia K. Chan

CITY OF MANDAUE

Lone District

Hon. Emmarie “Lolypop” Ouano-Dizon

NEGROS ORIENTAL

First District

Hon. Jocelyn Sy Limkaichong

Second District

Hon. Manuel T. Sagarbarria

Third District

Hon. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

SIQUIJOR

Lone District

Hon. Zaldy S. Villa

REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

BILIRAN

Lone District

Hon. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.

EASTERN SAMAR

Lone District

Hon. Maria Fe R. Abunda

LEYTE

First District

Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez

Second District

Hon. Lolita T. Javier

Third District

Hon. Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon

Fourth District

Hon. Richard I. Gomez

Fifth District

Hon. Carl Nicolas C. Cari

NORTHERN SAMAR

First District

Hon. Paul Ruiz Daza

Second District

Hon. Harris Christopher M. Ongchuan

SAMAR

First District

Hon. Stephen James T. Tan

Second District

Hon. Reynolds Michael T. Tan

SOUTHERN LEYTE

First District

Hon. Luz V. Mercado

Second District

Hon. Christopherson M. Yap

REGION IX - ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA

ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE

First District

Second District

Hon. Glona G. Labadlabad

Third District

Hon. Adrian Michael A. Amatong

ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Divina Grace C. Yu

Second District

Hon. Jeyzel Victoria C. Yu

CITY OF ZAMBOANGA

First District

Hon. Khymer Adan T. Oloso

Second District

Hon. Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe

ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY

First District

Hon. Wilter Y. Palma

Second District

Hon. Antonieta R. Eudela

REGION X - NORTHERN MINDANAO

BUKIDNON

First District

Hon. Jose Manuel F. Alba

Second District

Hon. Jonathan Keith T. Flores

Third District

Hon. Jose Ma. R. Zubiri Jr.

Fourth District

Hon. Laarni L. Roque

CAMIGUIN

Lone District

Hon. Jurdin Jesus M. Romualdo

LANAO DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo

Second District

Hon. Sittie Aminah Q. Dimaporo

CITY OF ILIGAN

Lone District

Hon. Celso G. Regencia

MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL

First District

Hon. Jason P. Almonte

Second District

Hon. Sancho Fernando F. Oaminal

MISAMIS ORIENTAL

First District

Hon. Christian S. Unabia

Second District

Hon. Yevgeny Vincente B. Emano

CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO

First District

Hon. Lordan G. Suan

Second District

Hon. Rufus B. Rodriguez

REGION XI - DAVAO REGION

DAVAO DE ORO

First District

Hon. Maria Carmen S. Zamora

Second District

Hon. Ruwel Peter Gonzaga

DAVAO DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Pantaleon D. Alvarez

Second District

Hon. Alan “Aldu” R. Dujali

DAVAO DEL SUR

Lone District

Hon. John Tracy F. Cagas

CITY OF DAVAO

First District

Hon. Paolo Z. Duterte

Second District

Hon. Vincent J. Garcia

Third District

Hon. Isidro T. Ungab

DAVAO OCCIDENTAL

Lone District

Hon. Claude P. Bautista

DAVAO ORIENTAL

First District

Hon. Nelson L. Dayanghirang

Second District

Hon. Cheeno Miguel D. Almario

REGION XII - SOCCSKSARGEN

COTABATO

First District

Hon. Joselito “Joel” S. Sacdalan

Second District

Hon. Rudy S. Caoagdan, DPA

Third District

Hon. Ma. Alana Samantha T. Santos

SARANGANI

Lone District

Hon. Steve Chiongbian Solon

SOUTH COTABATO

First District

Hon. Isidro B. Lumayag

Second District

Hon. Peter B. Miguel

CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS

Lone District

Hon. Loreto B. Acharon

SULTAN KUDARAT

First District

Hon. Princess Rihan M. Sakaluran

Second District

Hon. Horacio P. Suansing Jr.

BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION
IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM)

BASILAN

Lone District

Hon. Mujiv S. Hataman

LANAO DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Ziaur-Rahman A. Adiong

Second District

Hon. Yasser Alonto Balindong

MAGUINDANAO

First District

Hon. Sittie Shahara I. Mastura

Second District

Hon. Mohamad P. Paglas

SULU

First District

Hon. Samier A. Tan

Second District

Hon. Munir N. Arbison Jr.

TAWI-TAWI

Lone District

Hon. Dimszar M. Sali

CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

ABRA

Lone District

Hon. Ching B. Bernos

APAYAO

Lone District

Hon. Eleanor C. Bulut-Begtang

BENGUET

Lone District

Hon. Eric Go Yap

CITY OF BAGUIO

Lone District

Hon. Mark O. Go

IFUGAO

Lone District

Hon. Solomon R. Chungalao

KALINGA

Lone District

Hon. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang

MOUNTAIN PROVINCE

Lone District

Hon. Maximo Y. Dalog Jr.

CARAGA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

AGUSAN DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Jose S. Aquino II

Second District

Hon. Dale B. Corvera

AGUSAN DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Alfelito “Alfel” M. Bascug

Second District

Hon. Eddiebong G. Plaza

DINAGAT ISLANDS

Lone District

Hon. Alan 1 B. Ecleo

SURIGAO DEL NORTE

First District

Hon. Francisco Jose “Bingo” F. Matugas II,

CPA, CESO, LLB

Second District

Hon. Robert Ace S. Barbers

SURIGAO DEL SUR

First District

Hon. Romeo S. Momo

Second District

Hon. Johnny Ty Pimentel

PARTY-LIST

1-PACMAN (1-Patriotic Coalition of Marginalized Nationals, Inc.)

Hon. Michael L. Romero, PhD

1-RIDER PARTYLIST (Ang Buklod ng mga Motorista ng Pilipinas)

Hon. Bonifacio L. Bosita

Hon. Ramon Rodrigo L. Gutierrez

4Ps (Pagtibayin at Palaguin ang Pangkabuhayang Pilipino)

Hon. Jonathan Clement M. Abalos II

Hon. Marcelino C. Libanan

AAMBIS-OWA (Ang Asosasyon Sang Mangunguma Nga Bisaya-Owa Mangunguma, Inc.)

Hon. Lex Anthony Cris A. Colada

ABANG LINGKOD (Abang Lingkod, Inc.)

Hon. Joseph Stephen “Caraps” S. Paduano

ABONO (Abono Partylist)

Hon. Robert Raymund M. Estrella

ACT-CIS (Anti-Crime and Terrorism Community Involvement and Support, Inc.)

Hon. Jeffrey Soriano

Hon. Jocelyn P. Tulfo

Hon. Edvic G. Yap

ACT TEACHERS (Act Teachers Party-List)

Hon. France L. Castro

AGAP (Agricultural Sector Alliance of the Philippines)

Hon. Nicanor B. Briones

AGIMAT (Agimat ng Masa)

Hon. Bryan B. Revilla

AGRI (Agri-Agra na Reporma Para sa Magsasaka ng Pilipinas)

Hon. Wilbert T. Lee

AKO BICOL (Ako Bicol Political Party)

Hon. Raul Angelo D. Bongalon

Hon. Elizaldy S. Co

AKO BISAYA (Ako Bisaya Partylist)
Hon. Sonny “SL” L. Lagon

Ako Ilocano Ako
Hon. Richelle Singson

ALONA (Alliance of Organizations, Networks
and Associations of the Philippines, Inc.)
Hon. Anna Marie Villaraza-Suarez

AN WARAY (An Waray Party List)
Hon. Florencio G. Noel

ANAKALUSUGAN (Alagaan Natin Ating
Kalusugan)
Hon. Ray Florence T. Reyes

ANG PROBINSYANO (Alyansa ng mga
Mamamayang Probinsyano)
Hon. Alfred C. Delos Santos

ANGAT (Agrikultura Ngayon Gawing Akma
at Tama)
Hon. Reynaldo S. Tamayo

APEC (Association of Philippine Electric
Cooperatives)
Hon. Sergio C. Dagooc

API (Abante Pangasinan-Ilokano Party)
Hon. Michael M. Morden

BH (Bagong Henerasyon)
Hon. Bernadette “BH” Herrera

BHW (Barangay Health Wellness Party)
Hon. Angelica Natasha Co

Bicol Saro
Hon. Nicolas C. Enciso VIII

CIBAC (Citizens’ Battle Against Corruption)
Hon. Eduardo “Bro. Eddie” C. Villanueva

COOP NATCCO (Coop NATCCO Party-List)
Hon. Felimon M. Espares

CWS (Construction Workers Solidarity)
Hon. Tirso Edwin L. Gardiola

DUMPER PTDA (Dumper Philippines Taxi
Drivers Association, Inc.)
Hon. Claudine Diana D. Bautista-Lim

Duterte Youth (Duterte Youth Party-List)
Hon. Drixie Mae S. Cardema

GABRIELA (Gabriela Women’s Party)
Hon. Arlene D. Brosas

GP PARTY (Galing sa Puso Party)
Hon. Jose Gay G. Padiernos

KABATAAN (Kabataan Party-list)
Hon. Raoul Dannel A. Manuel

KABAYAN (Kabalikat ng Mamamayan)
Hon. Ron P. Salo

KALINGA (KALINGA-Advocacy for Social
Empowerment and Nation-Building Through
Easing Poverty, Inc.)
Hon. Irene Gay F. Saulog

Kusug Tausug
Hon. Shernee A. Tan-Tambut

LPGMA (LPG Marketers Association, Inc.)
Hon. Allan U. Ty

MALASAKIT@BAYANIHAN (Malasakit at
Bayanihan Foundation, Inc.)
Hon. Anthony Rolando T. Golez Jr.

MANILA TEACHERS (Manila Teacher’s
Savings and Loan Association, Inc.)
Hon. Virgilio S. Lacson

MARINO (Marino Samahan ng mga Seaman, Inc.)
Hon. Sandro L. Gonzalez

OFW (One Filipinos Worldwide Coalition
Partylist)
Hon. Marissa “Del Mar” P. Magsino

PATROL (Public Safety Alliance for
Transformation and Rule of Law, Inc.)
Hon. Jorge “Patrol” Bustos

PBA (Puwersa ng Bayaning Atleta)
Hon. Margarita Ignacia B. Nograles

PHILRECA (Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association, Inc.)

Hon. Presley C. De Jesus

PINUNO (Pinatatag na Ugnayan para sa mga Oportunidad sa Pabahay ng Masa)

Hon. Ivan Howard A. Guintu

Probinsyano Ako

Hon. Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas I

PUSONG PINOY (Pusong Pinoy Party-list)

Hon. Jernie Jett V. Nisay

SAGIP (Social Amelioration and Genuine Intervention on Poverty)

Hon. Rodante D. Marcoleta

Hon. Caroline L. Tanchay

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTYLIST (Coalition of Associations of Senior Citizens in the Philippines, Inc.)

Hon. Rodolfo "Ompong" M. Ordanes

TGP (Talino at Galing ng Pinoy)

Hon. Jose "Bong" J. Teves Jr.

TINGOG (Tingog Sinirangan)

Hon. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez

Hon. Jude A. Acidre

TUCP (Trade Union Congress Party)

Hon. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza

Tutok to Win

Hon. Samuel S. Verzosa Jr.

USWAG ILONGGO (Uswag Ilonggo Party)

Hon. James "Jojo" A. Ang Jr.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Mr. Presiding Officer, the roll call shows that 309 Members responded to the call.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). There being 309 Members who responded to the call, the Chair declares the presence of a quorum.*

DESIGNATION OF ACTING FLOOR LEADER

To ensure orderly proceedings, the Chair designates the Hon. Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe, Representative of the Second District of Zamboanga City, as the Acting Floor Leader.

Before we open the table for the nomination of candidates for the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, let me state for the record that the House Rules provides that the Members who vote for the winning candidate for Speaker shall constitute the majority in the House and they shall elect from among themselves the Majority Leader.

The Minority Leader shall be elected by the members of the Minority.

The House has already established a procedure for this and the Supreme Court in the case of *Baguilat vs. Alvarez* has already affirmed that the House has the power to determine the rules of its proceedings.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that we now open the table for the nominations for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). There is a motion to open the table for the nominations for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; nominations for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives are now in order.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the First District of Ilocos Norte, the Hon. Ferdinand Alexander Araneta Marcos, be recognized to make his nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the First District of Ilocos Norte, the Hon. Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, is recognized.

* Correction on attendance as manifested in *Record* No. 3, dated August 1, 2022

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. MARCOS

REP. MARCOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, with unity at the core of the government as our shared vision for the next six years, the House of Representatives requires, now more than ever, a leader that embodies inclusivity, possesses unquestionable competency and feels genuinely for the people we are all duty-bound to serve. Someone who is of the belief that, as the dust from this election has settled, the time for politics must come to an end and public service must begin. As such, among the distinguished Members of this august Chamber, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez is the most qualified to lead the House of Representatives to accomplish this formidable task.

In his 12 solid years of legislative experience, he is best known as a consensus-builder. He is regarded with great affection and respect by most if not all Members of this institution, no matter where they are on the political spectrum.

We know that it is not an easy feat for a person to listen to and consolidate support from more than 300 elected officials, all of whom are leaders in their own right, yet Representative Romualdez seems to have found this balance. He values everyone's opinion and exudes the charm to get everyone to voluntarily and conscientiously work together towards a common goal. Because of this positive trait, he, along with other Members of the Eighteenth Congress, was able to usher with expediency the two critical Bayanihan bills in the House of Representatives during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, just when the country needed these laws the most.

Representative Romualdez's competence is beyond dispute. His professional experience as a lawyer and a banking executive allows him to take an analytical and corporate approach to economic issues that require suitable legislation. With him as the House Majority Leader, Congress was able to pass laws supportive of economic growth such as the CREATE Law, as well as measures amending the Public Service Act, and the Foreign Investments Act of 1991. Such accomplishments show that he is able to strike

a healthy equilibrium between economic interests and public welfare.

Moreover, Rep. Martin Romualdez is well-loved by the people of the First District of Leyte. He is popular for his meaningful community programs and initiatives that positively impact the lives of many of his constituents. Should he be the next leader of the House of Representatives, we can only expect with much enthusiasm that his genuine interest and compassion for people will be reflective of the facets that the Nineteenth Congress hopes to possess.

Much has been said regarding the familial relations of Representative Romualdez to the President but for reasons I have stated prior, one can truly ascertain that his qualifications are beyond sufficient to lead us to great heights. To say that he has not worked his way up to various positions in Congress would be a grave injustice to the effort he has put into his role throughout his 12 years as a legislator.

Consequently, it is through this rationale that I put forth the nomination of the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the 24th Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress of the Republic of the Philippines. *(Applause)*

Thank you.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the Sixth District of Batangas, the Hon. Ralph G. Recto, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the Sixth District of Batangas, the Hon. Ralph G. Recto, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. RECTO SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. RECTO. Thank you, Majority Leader. Mr. Presiding Officer, my dear colleagues, it is my privilege and honor to second the nomination of the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez from the First Legislative District of Leyte, as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

May I submit for insertion into the records the copy of my manifestation,* but let me quote excerpts from it:

Representative Romualdez can shepherd the bills that can help our country as skillfully as he can stop the ones that harm our people.

He knows the policies that need to be crafted and has the pragmatism to get them passed.

I am confident that with him, a constitutionalist, at the helm, he will keep the Plenary a hospitable space for all opinions while keeping the conveyor belt of laws moving.

In these trying times, he is the leader we need who could marshal our collective will and wisdom in tackling the brave and bold things that must be done.

It is therefore my honor to work with him as our Speaker.

I so move, Mr. Presiding Officer.

(Applause)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the Third District of Davao City, the Hon. Isidro T. Ungab, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the Third District of Davao City, the Hon. Isidro T. Ungab, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. UNGAB SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. UNGAB. Mr. Presiding Officer, it is my honor to second the nomination of the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress. He is very much qualified, our former Majority Leader in the Eighteenth Congress, and it is with pride and honor that I second this nomination.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.
(Applause)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the First District of Antipolo City, the Hon. Roberto V. Puno, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the First District of Antipolo City, the Hon. Roberto V. Puno, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. PUNO SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. PUNO. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the officers and members of the National Unity Party, it is my esteemed privilege and honor to second the nomination of the distinguished Gentleman from the First Legislative District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Presiding Officer, I have known the nominee, Congressman Romualdez, since 2007 when we both entered into these halls of Congress as neophyte Congressmen of the Fourteenth Congress. I know him to be a man of intelligence, a man of integrity, a man of industry. Our nation needs someone who is familiar with the pulse of the nation and with the rigors and adversities of leadership.

It is my humble submission that Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez is best suited to undertake the role of Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

I so move, Mr. Presiding Officer.

Thank you. *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the Lone District of Las Piñas, the Hon. Camille A. Villar, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the Lone District of Las Piñas City, Hon. Camille A. Villar, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. VILLAR SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. VILLAR. Mr. Presiding Officer, it is with great honor, on behalf of the Nacionalista Party,

* See ANNEX (printed separately)

that I second the nomination of the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez from the First Legislative District of Leyte as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Representative Romualdez is a dedicated public servant who champions the welfare of the Filipino people, a statesman who preserves the integrity and unity of this institution, a leader whose ultimate vision is the greatness of this nation.

I so move, Mr. Presiding Officer. *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the Second District of Ilocos Sur, the Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the Second District of Ilocos Sur, the Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. SINGSON-MEEHAN SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. SINGSON-MEEHAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Nationalist People's Coalition, I second the nomination of the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez from the First Legislative District of Leyte as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

As we usher in the Nineteenth Congress, we would be fortunate to have at the helm a man who has proven himself a reliable captain and navigator in what has been and continues to be one of the most turbulent periods in our country. The Honorable Romualdez maneuvered these uncharted waters with skill and grace, exhibiting a sublime knowledge of the law, a political acumen worthy of his family pedigree and an unflappable and genial nature that served as balm to flaring and fraying tempers in such troubled times.

I so move, Mr. Presiding Officer. *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the TUCP Party-List, the Hon. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza, be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the TUCP Party-List, the Hon. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza, is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. MENDOZA SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. MENDOZA. Mr. Presiding Officer, it has been my distinct and rare privilege to serve six distinguished Speakers, now onto my seventh, with much pride. Personally, on behalf of the 60-strong PCFI, Party-List Coalition Foundation Inc., under the strong leadership of our leader, Cong. Zaldy Co, I gladly second the nomination of Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez from the First District of Leyte to be our Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress. *(Applause)*

The track record of Representative Romualdez in both private and public sector is unblemished. His performance as the Majority Leader, and we know this by heart, was both sterling and of the highest caliber in these trying times, pandemic and all. The Party-List Coalition has whole faith that the Honorable Romualdez is the best person—at the right place, at the right time—to steer us towards the right direction of unity for our country as we confidently rebuild under the administration of President Bongbong Marcos.

Together, all Party-List bloc Representatives feel that with Representative Romualdez at the helm of the House of Representatives, it will blaze new trails, giving hope and decency to the lives of all Filipinos. We know that Rep. Martin Romualdez will bring a steady hand as always, an open mind as always, a listening ear to us and to the nation, a clearer gaze to the future, a clarity of vision in assessing our current challenges as he brings us together in this House of the People to do God's work and truly serve the common good.

Clearly, Mr. Speaker, you have our confidence, our trust, to bring us forward together, Sir.

Mabuhi si Speaker Romualdez! Mabuhi kitang tanan dinhi sa Kongreso! Mabuhay ang Pilipinas! *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that the distinguished Representative from the Third District of Pampanga, the Hon. Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr., be recognized to second the nomination.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The distinguished Representative from the Third District of Pampanga, the Hon. Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr., is recognized.

SPEECH OF REP. GONZALES (A.)
SECONDING THE NOMINATION

REP. GONZALES (A.). Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

On behalf of the PDP-Party, I rise to second the nomination of the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez from the First Legislative District of Leyte as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives. He served exceptionally well as Majority Leader in the last Congress and I have faith that he will do even better as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress. He is steady, reliable, fair and receptive to the concerns of his colleagues. I truly believe that he is in the best position to implement the legislative agenda of the Nineteenth Congress.

So Mr. Speaker, luid ka, Speaker Martin, mabuhay ka, my fellow Kapampangan because the mother of Speaker Martin is also from Pampanga.

I so move, Mr. Speaker. (*Applause*)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, there being no other nominations for the position of Speaker of the House of Representatives, I move that the table for nominations be closed. (*Applause*)

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). There is a motion to close the table for nominations for Speaker of the House of Representatives. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is carried. (*Applause*)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that we now proceed with the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). There is a motion to proceed to the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the election of the Speaker of the House of Representatives is now in order.

The Deputy Secretary General of the Legislative Operations Department will now call the roll of Members. May I request every Member to say the name of the candidate he or she is voting for the Speaker of the House of Representatives upon being called.

ROLL CALL

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Roll call of Members.

Honorable Representatives:

Abalos

Abante

REP. ABANTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote “Yes” for the next Speaker, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Abunda

Acharon

REP. ACHARON. Yes, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez for the Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Acidre (*Applause*)

REP. ACIDRE. Mr. Presiding Officer, TINGOG Party-List votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Acop

REP. ACOP. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of the city of Antipolo votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Adiong

REP. ADIONG. *Bismillahi rahmani rahim.*
Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakathu.

Mapiya kapiyita ruktano langon.

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the good people of the First District of Lanao del Sur, whom I have the distinct privilege and the honor to represent in the Nineteenth Congress, I vote "Yes" to the Speakership of Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez from the First Legislative District of Leyte.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Advincula

REP. ADVINCULA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third Legislative District of Cavite, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Agarao

REP. AGARAO. From the Fourth District of Laguna, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alba

REP. ALBA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Bukidnon, it is my honor to cast my vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Albano

REP. ALBANO. Mr. Speaker, as a personal friend of him, I know that he is very much capable of leading the Nineteenth Congress to become a good Speaker — and I dare even to say,

in the future, the next Speaker in the Twentieth. I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez for Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Almario

REP. ALMARIO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the new administration under the leadership of President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Romualdez Marcos Jr. and Vice President Sara Zimmerman Duterte is not only very promising but surely the key to our country bouncing back well and even better than our neighboring countries. It is in this light that all the more we need a Legislative branch of government that can deliver the corresponding laws to complement the Executive branch. The Legislative branch, especially the Nineteenth Congress in the House of Representatives, needs a leader who can steer more than 300 Congressmen, and I am 101 percent certain that Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez is the person best qualified to lead this House as its Speaker.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Almonte

REP. ALMONTE. The First District of Misamis Occidental votes for our next Speaker, Rep. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alonte

REP. ALONTE. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Lone District of Biñan, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Jose

REP. ALVAREZ (J.). On behalf of the people of the Second District of Palawan, we

happily vote for Hon. Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Mercedes

REP. ALVAREZ (M.). On behalf of the Sixth District of Negros Occidental, we vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Pantaleon

REP. ALVAREZ (P.). Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
(*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Amante

REP. AMANTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third District of Laguna, I vote for Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Amatong

REP. AMATONG. I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ang
Angara

REP. ANGARA. On behalf of the people of Aurora, Rep. Rommel Angara votes for Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of our Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Aquino

REP. AQUINO. Maayong buntag sa tanan, mga Congressmen, my fellow colleagues in Congress.

Ang boto ko po as Representative of the First District of Agusan del Norte ay para sa matagal nang inaantay kong maging Speaker, aking kumpare, Hon. Martin Romualdez.
(*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arbison

REP. ARBISON. Hello. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Sulu, our vote is for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arenas

REP. ARENAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, please allow me again first to acknowledge the presence of our Vice President, Inday Sara Duterte.

On behalf of the Third District of Pangasinan, we vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Arrogancia

REP. ARROGANCIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Third District of Quezon Province, I vote as the next Speaker of the House Rep. Martin Romualdez.
My vote is "Yes." Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Asistio

REP. ASISTIO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative from the Third District of Caloocan City, my vote is for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Atayde

REP. ATAYDE. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of District One Quezon City, our vote goes to the honorable Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Aumentado

REP. AUMENTADO. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the Second District of Bohol, I vote "Yes" to having Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Balindong

REP. BALINDONG. *Bismillah Hirrahman Nirrahim! Assalamulaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh!*

On behalf of the Second District of Lanao del Sur, I vote for my boss, Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barba

REP. BARBA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of the Province of Ilocos Norte, our vote is for Cong. Martin Gomez Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barbers

REP. BARBERS. Mr. Presiding Officer, it is both an honor and privilege to vote for a Gentleman in the true sense of the word. This Gentleman, Mr. Presiding Officer, my dear colleagues, possesses the quality of a capable and good leader. He has unquestionable integrity and a proven track record, to say the least, in the steering

of the Eighteenth and the Nineteenth Congress. As the Majority Leader, he has a proven sterling track record, and there was never a doubt, Mr. Speaker, that this Representation, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Surigao del Norte, votes for and supports as the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress, Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Baronda

REP. BARONDA. Mr. Speaker, having worked with the next Speaker for three years as our Majority Leader, on behalf of the Lone District of Iloilo City, my vote is for the true friend to all or to everyone, my vote is for Speaker Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Barzaga

REP. BARZAGA. Mr. Presiding Officer, the voice of the city of Dasmariñas supports Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House for this Congress.

Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bascug

REP. BASCUG. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Presiding Chair, on behalf of the First District of Agusan del Sur, I vote for my idol Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bautista

REP. BAUTISTA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Lone District of Davao Occidental and the Lakas Party family, I vote "Yes" to Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Hon. Bautista-Lim

REP. BAUTISTA-LIM. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf DUMPER PTDA Party-List, my vote goes to Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as our Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Benitez

REP. BENITEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third District of Negros Occidental, our vote is for our friend Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bernos

REP. BERNOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Lone Legislative District of Abra, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Billones

REP. BILLONES. Mr. Presiding Officer, the First District of Capiz votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Biron

REP. BIRON. Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Fourth District of the province of Iloilo, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bolilia

REP. BOLILIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Fourth District of Batangas votes "Yes" to the election of Rep. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bondoc

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Fourth District of Pampanga, we are honored to vote for our cabalen, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez, as the Speaker of the House. Salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bongalon

REP. BONGALON. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from AKO BICOL Party-List votes for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bordado
Bosita
Briones

REP. BRIONES. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the AGAP Party-List, I vote for the honorable Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Brosas

REP. BROSAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the GABRIELA Party-List abstains.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Buhain

REP. BUHAIN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District

of Batangas, it is my honor and privilege to vote for Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bulut-Begtang

REP. BULUT-BEGTANG. Mr. Presiding Officer, for the Lone District of Apayao, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Bustos

REP. BUSTOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of PATROL Party-List, I vote for Representative Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cabredo

REP. CABREDO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Third District of Albay, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cagas
Cajayon-Uy

REP. CAJAYON-UY. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Caloocan City, this Representation is voting for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez to be the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cagas

REP. CAGAS. Maayon buntag, Mr. Speaker. Maayon buntag usab sa among pinanggang Bise Presidente, Mayor Sara Duterte, gwapa kaayo.

On behalf of the Lone District of Davao del Sur, among garbo nga mo-butar kang Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Maayong buntag kanatong tanan.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Calderon

REP. CALDERON. Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Seventh District of Cebu, I cast my vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Calixto

REP. CALIXTO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Lone District of Pasay, I vote for Martin Romualdez as the Nineteenth Congress' Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Campos

REP. CAMPOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, Romualdez, Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Caoagdan

REP. CAOAGDAN. Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cardema

REP. CARDEMA. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cari

REP. CARI. Good morning, everybody. From the Fifth District of Leyte, we are very

much excited na iyong magiging sunod na Speaker is from Leyte. We are and I am voting for Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez. Daghang pong salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Castro, France

REP. CASTRO (F.). I abstain, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Castro, Jane

REP. CASTRO (J.). Jane Tan Castro, Second District of Capiz, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Celeste

REP. CELESTE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chan

REP. CHAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Lone Representative of Lapu-Lapu City, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chatto

REP. CHATTO. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the First Congressional District of the province of Bohol, allow me to manifest our very, very strong support for the next Speaker of the House of Representatives. We give our full trust and confidence to the leadership of Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

I have known him and his zeal for public service not only since Congress but likewise since our youth leadership days years, years back.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chua

REP. CHUA. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Third District of the city of Manila, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Chungalao

REP. CHUNGALAO. Mr. Speaker, the people of Ifugao have spoken; they have named me to support this administration. Therefore, I vote for Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

Thank you. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Co, Angelica Natasha

REP. CO (A.N.). As the Representative of the BHW Party-List, my vote goes to the honorable Cong. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Co, Elizaldy

REP. CO (E.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as the President of the Party-List Coalition and Representative of AKO BICOL Party-List, my vote is for the future of our country. My vote is for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez.

Thank you. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Co-Pilar

REP. CO-PILAR. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Sixth District of Quezon City, it is an honor and a privilege to vote Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cojuangco, Jaime

REP. COJUANGCO (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Tarlac, it is my honor to vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cojuangco, Mark

REP. COJUANGCO (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representative from District 2 of Pangasinan votes for Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of this House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Colada
Collantes

REP. COLLANTES. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Third District of Batangas, composed of 10 municipalities and two cities, namely, Sto. Tomas and Tanauan, votes for Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Corvera

REP. CORVERA. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Agusan del Norte, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cruz, Ambrosio

REP. CRUZ (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of the new Fifth District of Bulacan, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cruz, Ricardo

REP. CRUZ (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, bilang Kinatawan po ng Unang Distrito ng Taguig at Pateros, ang boto ko po ay para kay Speaker Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Cua
Cuaresma

REP. CUARESMA. Naimbag nga bigat apo.

Mr. Presiding Officer, as Representative of the Lone District of Nueva Vizcaya, I am honored and privileged to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Agyaman ak apo.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dagooc
Dalipe

REP. DALIPE. Second District of Zamboanga City votes for Representative Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dalog

REP. DALOG. Mr. Presiding Officer, gawis ay agew tako amin.

As the Representative of the Lone District of Mountain Province, our vote is for Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dayanghirang

REP. DAYANGHIRANG. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of the First District of Davao Oriental, we ask for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Daza
De Jesus
De Venecia

REP. DE VENECIA. Towards a creative and sustainable future and on behalf of Explore PD4 or the Fourth District of Pangasinan, my vote for Speaker goes to the President of our Party, Lakas-CMD, of which our beloved VP Mme. Inday Sara is Chair, a public servant of proven track record, my boss of 3 years, a man of whom I am so proud, Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Defensor

REP. DEFENSOR. On behalf of the Third District of Iloilo, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Del Mar

REP. DEL MAR. On behalf of the city of Cebu, First District, Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House for Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Delos Santos

REP. DELOS SANTOS. Ang PROBINSIYANO Party-List votes for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dimaporo, Mohamad Khalid

REP. DIMAPORO (M.K.). *Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.*

Mr. Presiding Officer and dear colleagues, on behalf of the First District of Lanao del Norte, I vote for our incoming Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dimaporo, Sittie Aminah

REP. DIMAPORO (S.A.). On behalf of the Second District of Lanao del Norte, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dionisio

REP. DIONISIO. Your Honor, on behalf of the First District of the city of Manila, it is a pleasure and an honor to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Domingo

REP. DOMINGO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of the province of Bulacan, it is my honor and privilege to vote for our new Speaker, Cong. Ferdinand G. Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Duavit

REP. DUAVIT. Your Honor, with absolute confidence, the people of the First District of Rizal cast their vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dujali

REP. DUJALI. Maayong udto, Mr. Presiding Officer. Maayong udto, Vice President Inday Sara Duterte.

On behalf of the Second District of Davao del Norte, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as our Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Duterte

REP. DUTERTE. Maayong adlaw sa tanan. Para sa Distrito Uno sa ciudad sa Davao, Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Faustino Inno

REP. DY (F.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Sixth District of Isabela, we would like to cast our vote for no other than Speaker Martin Romualdez.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Faustino Michael

REP. DY (F.M.C.). The Fifth District of Isabela chooses Martin Romualdez for Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Dy, Ian Paul

REP. DY (I.P.). On behalf of the Third District of Isabela, we cast our vote for our next Speaker, Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ecleo

REP. ECLEO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Lone District of Dinagat Islands votes for my boss, Cong. Martin Romualdez, as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Emano

REP. EMANO. Maayong buntag, Mr. Presiding Officer. Maayong buntag, VP Sara. Ang katauhan sa Ikaduhang Distrito sa lalawigan sa Misamis Oriental will vote for, of course, Chairman Martin Romualdez.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Enciso
Enverga

REP. ENVERGA. Mr. Presiding Officer, the First District of Quezon Province votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Escudero

REP. ESCUDERO. On behalf of the First District of Sorsogon, I vote "Yes" to Mr. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Espares
Espina

REP. ESPINA. On behalf of the Lone District of Biliran, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Estrella

REP. ESTRELLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the ABONO Party-List votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Eudela
Fariñas

REP. FARIÑAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of PROBINSIYANO AKO Party-List, we vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fernandez

REP. FERNANDEZ. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker, Cong. Martin Romualdez is my Speaker and my vote is for him.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ferrer, Antonio

REP. FERRER (A.). On behalf of the Sixth District of Cavite, we vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ferrer, Juliet Marie

REP. FERRER (J.M.). On behalf of the Fourth District of Negros Occidental, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Flores

REP. FLORES. On behalf of the Second District of Bukidnon, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fortes

REP. FORTES. Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of the province of Sorsogon casts its vote for the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress in favor of the Hon. Martin Romualdez. Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Frasco

REP. FRASCO. Maayong buntag, Mr. Presiding Officer.

Maayong buntag, VP Inday Sara Duterte. Representing the Fifth District of Cebu, I proudly vote for the Gentleman from the First Legislative District of Leyte, Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fresnedi

REP. FRESNEDI. As the Representative of the Lone District of the city of Muntinlupa – Mr. Presiding Officer, Sir?

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Yes, please proceed, Sir.

REP. FRESNEDI. As the Representative of the Lone District of the city of Muntinlupa, my vote is for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Fuentebella

REP. FUENTEBELLA. On behalf of the people of the Fourth District of Camarines Sur, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Galeos

REP. GALEOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Cebu, I vote for Speaker Martin Romualdez as the new Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Albert

REP. GARCIA (A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Bataan, through this

Representation, votes for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Dante

REP. GARCIA (D.). Mr. Presiding Officer, being a Representative of the Second District of La Union, my vote goes to the Honorable Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Jose Arturo

REP. GARCIA (J.A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third District of Rizal, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Maria Angela

REP. GARCIA (M.A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, this humble Representation from the Third District of Bataan votes for Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Pablo John

REP. GARCIA (P.J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Third District of the province of Cebu, I have the honor to vote for my fellow neophyte in the Fourteenth Congress, a contemporary in the UP College of Law and a friend of the family, the next Speaker, Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garcia, Vincent

REP. GARCIA (V.). Good afternoon. I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gardiola

REP. GARDIOLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the CWS Party-List, my vote is for my boss, Congressman, Hon. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Garin

REP. GARIN. Mr. Presiding Officer, yours truly grew up in the province of Leyte together with the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez. I saw him honed into what I call one perfect gentleman. And when I entered politics in the other side of the Visayas, in the western part, I saw a colleague in the eastern part of the Visayas. He is not only a gentleman in nature but a pure leader with a heart ready to shepherd the House of Representatives.

With the voice of the people from the First Congressional District of Iloilo, Mr. Presiding Officer, our vote goes to the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gasataya

REP. GASATAYA. Maayong udto, Mr. Speaker or Mr. Presiding Officer.

On behalf of the people of Bacolod City, ang boto po namin ay para kay Cong. Martin Romualdez para sa susunod na Speaker ng Nineteenth Congress.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gatchalian

REP. GATCHALIAN. Romualdez

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gato

REP. GATO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Lone District of Batanes, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Go, Ed Christopher

REP. GO (E.C.). Bilang Representante ng Ikalawang Distrito ng Isabela, ang boto ko po ay para kay Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Go, Mark

REP. GO (M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of Baguio City, I vote for Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Golez

REP. GOLEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the MALASAKIT@BAYANIHAN Party-List, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gomez

REP. GOMEZ. Maayong udto sa tanan nato na mga igsoon.

As Representative of the good and beautiful people of the Fourth District of Leyte, it is my pride and honor to nominate a true-blooded Leyteño, a person of integrity, a true gentleman who I know can move this House forward. With full trust and confidence, I proudly vote for Martin Romualdez as Speaker of this august Chamber.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzaga

REP. GONZAGA. Second District, Davao de Oro, "Yes" for Speaker Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzales, Aurelio

REP. GONZALES (A.). Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

Baka mabigla kayo, tawagan ko si Speaker Jake. Alam ninyo, Fourteenth Congress magkaibigan na kami niyan. And of course, palakpakan po natin si Ma'am Juliet, Ma'am Juliet, palakpakan po natin, mother of Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, palakpakan po natin ang aking kababayan. (*Applause*)

On behalf of the Third District of Pampanga, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzales, Neptali

REP. GONZALES (N.). "Yes" na "Yes," Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gonzalez, Sandro

REP. GONZALEZ. Maayong adlaw sa tanan. Maayong adlaw to the Vice President, VP Inday Sara Duterte.

On behalf of the MARINO Party-List, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gorriceta

REP. GORRICETA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Iloilo, I vote for a man of dignity, a dedicated

leader and the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress, Cong. Martin G. Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Guico

REP. GUICO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Fifth District of Pangasinan, I vote “Yes” for our President of LAKAS, Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Guintu

REP. GUINTU. Kaisa ang mga nagtiwala sa PINUNO Party-List, aming ipinagkakatiwala ang suporta namin sa pamumuno ng Kinatawan Martin Romualdez bilang Pinuno o Speaker ng Kapulungan ng mga Kinatawan ng Pilipinas.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gullas

REP. GULLAS. Mr. Presiding Officer, the First District of Cebu proudly votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Gutierrez
Hagedorn

REP. HAGEDORN. Mr. Presiding Officer, Mme. Vice President Sara Duterte, sa ngalan po ng Third District ng Palawan na binubuo po ng Puerto Princesa City at ng Aborlan, “Yes” na “Yes” din po ang boto namin para kay Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Mabuhay po kayo, pagpalain tayo ng Panginoon.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Haresco

REP. HARESCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Aklan, to include Boracay, it is my honor and joy to vote for a man who has the humility to listen to all, a clarity of intellect and the courage to attend daily during the Eighteenth Congress, and navigate vital bills like the Bayanihan 1 and Bayanihan 2 and other bills in our war against COVID. This great leader, this person is no other than Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez, the next Speaker for the next six years. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Aklan, to include Boracay.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Hataman
Hernandez-Alcantara

REP. HERNANDEZ-ALCANTARA.
Good day.

As the Representative of the great Lone District of Calamba, I vote for the honorable Rep. Martin Romualdez as the next House Speaker for the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Herrera
Horibata

REP. HORIBATA. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer. On behalf of the First District of Camarines Sur, I vote for Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Javier

REP. JAVIER. Maupay nga udto ha aton nga tanan.

The Second District of Leyte votes for our beloved First District of Leyte Representative, Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

Damo nga salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Kho, Olga "Ara"

REP. KHO (O.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Masbate, I cast my vote in favor of Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Kho, Ricardo

REP. KHO (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of Masbate, I vote for Congressman Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Kho, Wilton

REP. KHO (W.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Third District of Masbate, I cast my vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Khonghun

REP. KHONGHUN. Pagbibigay-galang po sa ating Bise Presidente, Mayor Inday Sara Duterte.

Bilang Representante ng Unang Distrito ng Zambales, buong pagmamalakipong ibinoboto si Cong. Martin Romualdez upang maging ganap na Speaker ng Mababang Kapulungan. Mabuhay po ang Kongreso.

Mabuhay po kayo, Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Labadlabad

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please proceed, Ma'am.
Your Honor, we cannot hear you.
Honorable Labadlabad is recognized.

REP. LABADLABAD. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of my legislative district of Zamboanga del Norte, I respectfully vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lacson
Lacson-Noel

REP. LACSON-NOEL. The Lone District of Malabon votes for Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker of the House for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lagman

REP. LAGMAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, being with the authentic political opposition, I am constrained to vote "No."

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lagon, Daphne

REP. LAGON (D.). Maayong udto kanatong tanan.

From the Sixth District, Cebu Province, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as our new Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lagon, Sonny

REP. LAGON (S.). Maayong udto sa tanan. On behalf of AKO BISAYA Party-List, I vote "Yes" to the honorable Cong. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.

Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lara

REP. LARA. Naimbag nga aldaw kadakayo apo.

Mr. Speaker, yo botos na Tersera Distrito ng Cagayan para Speaker of the House of Representatives, para sa tuloy-tuloy po na kaunlaran ng probinsya ng Cagayan, awan tanam kwan nusi Speaker ku, Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez. Mabalad!

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lazatin

REP. LAZATIN. On behalf of the First District of Pampanga, I vote for Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lee

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The Honorable Lee is recognized.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Legarda

REP. LEGARDA. Mayad nga adlawan, Mr. Presiding Officer.

On behalf of my fellow Antiqueños, as a Lone District Representative of our province, I vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker of the House of Representatives. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Libanan
Limkaichong

REP. LIMKAICHONG. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the First District of Negros Oriental concurs with the Majority members and votes “Yes” for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Loyola

REP. LOYOLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Fifth District of Cavite, I vote for Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Luistro

REP. LUISTRO. From the people of Batangas, Second District, this Representation extends courtesy to the Vice President, Her Excellency Inday Sara Duterte.

For the Speakership, this Representation is honored and privileged to cast her very first vote for the honorable Representative of Leyte, Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lumayag

REP. LUMAYAG. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

For the First District of South Cotabato, Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Macapagal-Arroyo

REP. MACAPAGAL-ARROYO. I vote “Yes” to Martin Romualdez as Speaker. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Maceda

REP. MACEDA. Mr. Speaker, this humble Representation from the Fourth District of Manila gives his full, unequivocal and unwavering support to my colleague, Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Madrona

REP. MADRONA. Mr. Presiding Officer, Romblon votes for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Magsino
Malapitan

REP. MAGSINO. Mr. Presiding Officer, ...

REP. MALAPITAN. On behalf of the First District of Caloocan, kay Congressman Romualdez po, Speaker Romualdez for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The Honorable Magsino is recognized.

REP. MAGSINO. Mr. Presiding Officer, magandang tanghali po, Vice President Inday Sara Duterte.

To my colleagues, bilang Representante po ng OFW Party-List, I abstain.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mangaoang

REP. MANGAOANG. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Lone District of the province of Kalinga, our vote is for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House.

Thank you so much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Maniquiz

REP. MANIQUIZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second Legislative District of Zambales, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

Thank you po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Manuel

REP. MANUEL. Good morning, Speaker. Good morning, colleagues.

This Representation from the KABATAAN Party-List abstains from voting.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marañon

REP. MARAÑON. Good afternoon, Mme. Vice President.

The Second District of Negros Occidental votes for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marcoleta

REP. MARCOLETA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the SAGIP Party-List, this Representation votes for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, Speaker of the House of Representatives for the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marcos

REP. MARCOS. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Ilocos Norte, I vote for Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mariano-Hernandez

REP. MARIANO-HERNANDEZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Laguna which consists of the city of Cabuyao and the municipalities of Los Baños and Bay, I vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mariño

REP. MARIÑO. Mr. Presiding Officer, Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez is the best. I vote for the best. Please count my vote.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Marquez

REP. MARQUEZ. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer.

On behalf of the First District of the province of Aklan, I vote “Yes” for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Martinez

REP. MARTINEZ. Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mastura

REP. MASTURA. *Assalamu Alaikum Warahmatullahi Ta’ala Wabarakatuh.*

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Maguindanao with Cotabato City, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Naniniwala po kami na si Speaker Romualdez ay magiging huwaran, matapat at mabuting leader ng ating Kamara. Kaya po ibinibigay namin ang suporta namin sa kanya at sa kanyang mga adhikain ngayong Ikalabinsiyam na Kongreso.

Shukran and Wassalam. (Applause)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Matibag

REP. MATIBAG. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of the province

of Laguna, the city of San Pedro, it is my greatest honor to say that our vote for Speakership in the Nineteenth Congress is, of course, for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Matugas

REP. MATUGAS. Marajaw na udto sa tanan.

Para sa First District of Surigao del Norte, Siargao Island, ang amo boto para kan Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mendoza

REP. MENDOZA. Maayong udto, Mr. Speaker.

Para sa mga Manggagawang Pilipinong Mamumuo, palihug lang, papasa tayo ng batas para sa kanila, Mr. Speaker. TUCP for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mercado

REP. MERCADO. The First District of Southern Leyte is very proud to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Mercado-Revilla

REP. MERCADO-REVILLA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Cavite, I vote for the President of Lakas-CMD Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives this Nineteenth Congress.

Salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Miguel

REP. MIGUEL. Hyu kimel. Magandang tanghali.

This Representation from the Second District of South Cotabato votes for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Momo

REP. MOMO. Brother Presiding Officer, on behalf of the province of Surigao del Sur, First District, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Morden

REP. MORDEN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Abante Pangasinan-Ilokano Party-List, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nava

REP. NAVA. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the Lone District of Guimaras votes for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Alvarez, Noel
Nisay

REP. NISAY. I, the PUSONG PINOY Party-List Representative, hereby vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez to be the Speaker of the House of the Representatives of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nograles, Juan Fidel Felipe

REP. NOGRALES (J.F.F.). I vote for Representative Romualdez as the next House Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Noel
Nograles, Margarita Ignacia

REP. NOGRALES (M.I.). Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer. Good afternoon to our Vice President, Vice President Inday Sara Duterte. On behalf of the PBA Party-List, this Representation votes for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Nolasco

REP. NOLASCO. Your Honor, on behalf of the people of the First District of Cagayan, I hereby vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Oaminal

REP. OAMINAL. Mr. Speaker, the people of the Second District of Misamis Occidental, whom I serve, are confident that we can reach great heights and achieve monumental milestones under the leadership of the good Gentleman from Leyte. Thus, I vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Olaso

REP. OLASO. Buenos días otodos, Señor Posonario del Camara Diecinueve.
Antese todo quero saluda, dalle mi amor con al da tun Bise Presidente Inday Sara Duterte, este Representante particular mente

del Distrito Uno del mi abable ciudad de Zamboanga, mi boto saludo irespeto para con Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez Jr. Muchas gracias y buenas dias.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Olivarez

REP. OLIVAREZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, as the humble Representation of the First District of the city of Parañaque, I am casting my "Yes" vote to Rep. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ongchuan
Ordanes

REP. ORDANES. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer, to our Vice President Inday Sara.

On behalf of the more than 12 million senior citizens, I vote for boss Majo, Cong. Martin Romualdez, as our new Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ortega

REP. ORTEGA. Thank you, honorable Presiding Officer.

Tinagan ti Primero Distrito ti La Union, this humble Representation would like to cast his vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ouano-Dizon

REP. OUANO-DIZON. Maayong udto sa tanan.

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Lone District of Mandaue, province of Cebu, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Padiernos

REP. PADIERNOS. On behalf of the GALING SA PUSO Party-List, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez for the Speakership of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Paduano
Paglas

REP. PAGLAS. *Bismillah Hir Rahman Nir Rahim! Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Ta'ala Wabarakatuh.*

Respeto sa ating mahal na Vice President, Mayor Sara Duterte, sa ngalan po ng Second Distrito ng Maguindanao, with trust and confidence on the leadership of our incoming Speaker, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, we cast our votes with trust and confidence dahil po alam namin isa po kayo sa makatutulong sa amin sa magiging problema namin sa amingprobinsiya.

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Ta'ala Wabarakatuh.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Palma

REP. PALMA. On behalf of the First District of Zamboanga Sibugay, our vote is for Cong. FMR Romualdez as the next Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Panaligan

REP. PANALIGAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the First District of Oriental Mindoro, casts his vote for the person most eminently qualified to lead this Chamber as the Speaker: a veteran legislator, a person with mastery of the parliamentary process and the President of our party, Lakas-CMD, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pancho

REP. PANCHITO. On behalf of the Second District of Bulacan, I vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Panotes

REP. PANOTES. On behalf of the Second District of Camarines Norte, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pascual

REP. PASCUAL. Sa ngalan ng mga tao sa Ikaapat na Distrito ng lalawigan ng Nueva Ecija, ang aking napakahalaga at banal na boto ay buong karangalan kong ibinigay kay G. Martin Romualdez bilang susunod na Tagapagsalita ng Kapulungan ng mga Kinatawan sa Pilipinas ng Ikalabinsiyam na Kongreso.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Peña

REP. PEÑA. Cong. Martin Romualdez, Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pimentel

REP. PIMENTEL. On behalf of the Second District of the province of Surigao del Sur, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Plaza

REP. PLAZA. As Representative of the Second District of the province of Agusan del Sur, I vote "Yes" for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as our next Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pleyto

REP. PLEYTO. Naimbag nga malem yo apo. Magandang hapon din po sa ating ginagalang at minamahal na Pangalawang Pangulo Inday Sara Duterte.

Sa ngalan po ng Ikaanim na Distrito ng Bulacan, bagong-bago pong distrito, kami po ay sumusuporta kay Kinatawan Martin Romualdez sa pagka-Tagapagsalita ng Mababang Kapulungan ng Pilipinas.

Dios ti agngina apo.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Primicias-Agabas

REP. PRIMICIAS-AGABAS. Naimbag nga aldaw tayo amin.

Mme. Vice President Sara Duterte, Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Sixth District of Pangasinan, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Pumaren

REP. PUMAREN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Third District of Quezon City, I vote a resounding "Yes" for my future mentor, Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Puno

REP. PUNO. Mr. Presiding Officer, the people of the First District of Antipolo vote for Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez as the Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Quimbo

REP. QUIMBO. Mr. Presiding Officer, ang boto ng Ikalawang Distrito ng Marikina City ay para kay Atty. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rama

REP. RAMA. Maayong ugto sa tanan. On behalf of the Second District of the city of Cebu, my vote goes to Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Recto

REP. RECTO. I vote "Yes" for Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Regencia

REP. REGENCIA. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer. On behalf of the constituents of Iligan City, I vote "Yes" to Rep. Ferdinand Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Revilla, Bryan

REP. REVILLA (B.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the AGIMAT Party-List, I would like to vote for Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House. Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Revilla, Ramon Jolo

REP. REVILLA (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, sa ngalan po ng Unang Distrito ng lalawigan ng Cavite, ang boto po namin ay para sa susunod na Speaker, Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Reyes

REP. REYES. Yes, Rep. Ray Florence Reyes of the ANAKALUSUGAN Party-List, we vote in favor of the Speakership of Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rillo

REP. RILLO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Fourth District of Quezon City, it is an honor for me to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rivera

REP. RIVERA. On behalf of the Third District of Tarlac, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Robes

REP. ROBES. Sa ngalan po ng lungsod ng San Jose Del Monte, Bulacan, kami po ay para sa ating Speaker at kaibigan, Cong. Martin Romualdez.
Salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rodriguez, Eulogio

REP. RODRIGUEZ (E.). On behalf of the Lone District of Catanduanes, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress and also the kababayan of my mother.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Rodriguez, Rufus

REP. RODRIGUEZ (R.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Second District of Cagayan de Oro, the City of Golden Friendship, the land of the best whitewater rafting in the world, in the presence of her honor, the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines, Inday Sara Duterte, the people of the Second District of Cagayan de Oro cast their vote for a leader who will serve with the highest degree of responsibility, integrity, loyalty and efficiency, as enshrined in the 1987 Constitution. We cast our vote for the honorable Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez, Mr. Speaker.

Thank you. *(Applause)*

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Roman

REP. ROMAN. G. Tagapamuno, sa ngalan po ng Unang Distrito ng Bataan, ang aking boto ay walang iba, para sa isang taong nagmamay-ari ng mga katangian ng isang mabuting pinuno ng Mababang Kapulungan: ang kasipagan at katiyagaan sa gitna ng maraming trabaho, ang kababaang-loob sa gitna po ng napakalaking kapangyarihan at, higit sa lahat, ang pagmamahal sa ating bayan. Walang iba kundi ang taong matagal ko nang sinusuportahan, walang iba kundi si G. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romero

REP. ROMERO. Mme. Vice President Inday Sara, good afternoon.

On behalf of the 1-PACMAN Party-List, I throw my full support and vote to my good friend Rep. Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romualdez, Ferdinand Martin
Romualdez, Yedda Marie

REP. ROMUALDEZ (Y.). *(Applause)* Mr. Presiding Officer, as the Representative of

TINGOG Party-List, my vote is for Romualdez.
(Applause)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romualdo

REP. ROMUALDO. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer. On behalf of the Lone District of the province of Camiguin, my vote is for our Speaker Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

And also, Mr. Presiding Officer, I would like to thank our incoming Speaker, the mentor of my son, former Cong. XJ Romualdo, now the Governor of the province of Camiguin.

Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Romulo

REP. ROMULO. Mr. Presiding Officer, having known Rep. Martin Romualdez since our UP Law days, being his classmate since the Fourteenth Congress, knowing the person who he is, as Representative of the Lone District of Pasig City, I vote for Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Roque

REP. ROQUE. Good afternoon.

On behalf of the Fourth District of the province of Bukidnon, I cast my vote for the new Speaker of the House, Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sacdalan

REP. SACDALAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of North Cotabato, I vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Sagarbarria

REP. SAGARBARRIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District, province of Negros Oriental, I vote for Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Sakaluran

REP. SAKALURAN. Mr. Presiding Officer, Vice President Inday Sara Duterte and to all my dear colleagues, good afternoon.

My vote is "Yes" for our boss, the next Speaker of the House, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Salceda

REP. SALCEDA. To our beloved Vice President Sara Duterte, dati pa sana, ngayon natupad na. Destino ng Pilipinas ang progreso. Destino ni Martin ang pagiging Speaker. My vote is for Romualdez. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Sali

REP. SALI. *Bismillah ir Rahman ir Rahim assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh.*

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of Tawi-Tawi, as the Representative of the Lone District of the province of Tawi-Tawi, my vote is a big "Yes" for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez to be the Speaker of the House of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Salimbangon

REP. SALIMBANGON. Maayong udto sa tanan. On behalf of the Fourth District of Cebu, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Salo

REP. SALO. Mr. Presiding Officer, Mme. Vice President Inday Sara Duterte, ang Kinatawan pong ito ay tuloy-tuloy ang suporta kay Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez sapagkat tayo ay naniniwala sa kaniyang pagkatao at prinsipyo. Kung kaya't ikinagagalak ko at ikinararangal na iboto para sa KABAYAN Party-List, si Congressman Romualdez bilang Speaker ng Nineteenth Congress.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Salvame

REP. SALVAME. Maayo na hapon sa tanan.

Para sa Unang Distrito iyong Palawan, I vote for Martin Romualdez.

Matamang salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Santos

REP. SANTOS. Good morning, everyone. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Cotabateños of the Third District of Cotabato, I vote and support the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Maraming salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Saulog

REP. SAULOG. Good afternoon, Mr. Presiding Officer.

As the KALINGA Party-List Representative, I vote for the honorable Rep. Martin Romualdez as House Speaker of this Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amarin), *reading*:
Silverio

REP. SILVERIO. Sa ngalan po ng mga mamamayan ng Ikatlong Distrito ng Bulacan, karangalan ko po na iboto bilang Speaker ng Ikalabinsiyam na Kongreso ang iginagalang na Kinatawan ng Unang Distrito ng Leyte, Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Singson, Richelle

REP. SINGSON (R.). As the Representative of the AKO ILOCANO AKO Party-List, we the Ilocanos vote in favor of Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Singson, Ronald

REP. SINGSON (R.V.). As Representative of the First District of Ilocos Sur, I proudly vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Singson-Meehan

REP. SINGSON-MEEHAN. On behalf of the Second District of Ilocos Sur, I vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as House Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Solon

REP. SOLON. From the Sarangani Province, we vote for the Speakership of Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Soriano
Suan

REP. SUAN. On behalf of the First District of Cagayan de Oro City, I vote for Martin

Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suansing, Horacio

REP. SUANSING (H.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Sultan Kudarat, I cast my vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suansing, Mikaela

REP. SUANSING (M.A.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Nueva Ecija, it is my honor to cast my vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Suarez

REP. SUAREZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, before I cast my vote, let me be the first to congratulate our incoming Speaker Martin Romualdez.

The Second District of Quezon Province votes for Martin Romualdez to be our Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tallado

REP. TALLADO. On behalf of the people of Camarines Norte, First District, I cast my vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as our new Speaker of the House.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tamayo

REP. TAMAYO. On behalf of the ANGAT Party-List, Mr. Presiding Officer, I cast my vote in favor of the honorable Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tambunting

REP. TAMBUNTING. The Second District of the city of Parañaque votes for Rep. Martin Romualdez for Speaker.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Joseph

REP. TAN (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, from the Fourth District of Isabela, I vote "Yes" for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Keith

REP. TAN (K.M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Fourth District of Quezon Province votes for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tan, Reynolds Michael
Tan, Samier
Tan, Stephen James
Tan-Tambut

REP. TAN-TAMTUT. On behalf of the KUSUG-TAUSUG Party-List, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tanchay

REP. TANCHAY. On behalf of the SAGIP Party-List, this Representation votes for Cong.

Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tanjuatco

REP. TANJUATCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Rizal, our vote goes to the next Speaker, Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tarriela

REP. TARRIELA. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Lone District of Occidental Mindoro, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the new Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Teodoro

REP. TEODORO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Marikina City, I vote for the Hon. Ferdinand Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Teves, Arnolfo

REP. TEVES (A.). Good afternoon. On behalf of the Third District of Negros Oriental, my vote goes to Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Teves, Jose

REP. TEVES (J.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the Talino at Galing ng Pilipino, TGP Party-List, through this Representation, votes for the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives this Nineteenth Congress. Ang inyong pamumuno

bilang Speaker ay tunay na sumasalamin sa talino at galing ng Pilipino. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tiangco

REP. TIANGCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Lone District of Navotas, it is my honor to vote for Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tieng

REP. TIENG. The Fifth District of Manila supports and votes for Cong. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tolentino

REP. TOLENTINO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Caviteños from the Eighth District of Cavite, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tulfo, Jocelyn
Tulfo, Ralph Wendel

REP. TULFO (R.W.). Mr. Presiding Officer, the people of the Second District of Quezon City vote for our new Speaker, Speaker Martin Romualdez. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Tupas
Tutor

REP. TUTOR. Mr. Presiding Officer, maadyong udto. Gikan sa Tercero Distrito sa probinsiya sa Bohol, sa akong mga katauhan, ang among vote para ni Cong. Martin Romualdez.
Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ty

REP. TY. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the LPGMA Party-List, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Umali

REP. UMALI. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of Oriental Mindoro, I vote for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Unabia

REP. UNABIA. Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the First District of Misamis Oriental, my vote is for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Ungab

REP. UNGAB. Mr. Presiding Officer, as I have already seconded the nomination of the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives, let me reiterate my vote and the vote of my district, the Third District of Davao City, that I am voting for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Valeriano

REP. VALERIANO. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the Second District of Manila, it is my honor to vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Valmayor

REP. VALMAYOR. Maayong hapon sa tanan. Maayong hapon, Mme. Vice-President.

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the people of the First District of Negros Occidental, we vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as our Speaker for the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vargas

REP. VARGAS. The Fifth Legislative District of Quezon City votes for the Speakership of Hon. Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vargas-Alfonso

REP. VARGAS-ALFONSO. I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Velasco

REP. VELASCO. Mr. Presiding Officer, to our beloved Vice-President Inday Sara Duterte-Carpio, on behalf of the Lone District of Marinduque, it is my honor to vote as Speaker for the Nineteenth Congress of the House of Representatives, our hardworking and staunch partner in serving the Filipino people, a good friend, Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Velo-so-Tuazon

REP. VELOSO-TUAZON. Maupay nga udto ha tanan, Vice-President Inday Sara, Mr. Presiding Officer. On behalf of the Third District of Leyte, it is my distinct honor to vote for our fellow Leyteño, Hon. Ferdinand Martin

Romualdez, as Speaker for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Vergara
Verzosa

REP. VERZOSA. Mr. Speaker, isa pong karangalan sa amin sa Tutok to Win Party-List na suportahan ang liderato ng aming kaibigan na kasama sa hirap, makakasama sa pagbabago, sa pagtulong at sa pagbigay ng pag-asa, ang aming Speaker, Speaker Martin G. Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villa

REP. VILLA. Vice-President Inday Sara Duterte, maayong hapon, good afternoon.

Mr. Presiding Officer, representing the Lone District of Siquijor, I vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House in the Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villafuerte, Luis Raymund

REP. VILLAFUERTE (L.R.) Magandang umaga sa inyong lahat. Diyos marhay na aldaw.

Ang boto ko po ay solid, buo, walang kaduda-duda para kay Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Salamat po. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villafuerte, Miguel Luis

REP. VILLAFUERTE (M.L.). Good morning to all. Dios marhay na ramrag kaninyong amin.

On behalf of the Rinconada area, province of Camarines Sur, I would like to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villanueva

REP. VILLANUEVA. Mr. Presiding Officer, sa pag-asang mapabilis ang pagbangon at pag-unlad ng ating minamahal na bansang Pilipinas at sa makulay na outstanding performance ng Majority Leader ng Eighteenth Congress, sa pangalan po ng Citizens' Battle Against Corruption, also known as the CIBAC Party-List, I am releasing my resounding "Yes" vote for Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez to be the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you and God bless you more, Mr. Speaker, and God bless the Nineteenth Congress and our beloved country, the Philippines.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villar

REP. VILLAR. Mr. Presiding Officer, as a Representative of the Lone District of Las Piñas City, it is my distinct honor and privilege to vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress. (*Applause*)

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villaraza-Suarez

REP. VILLARAZA-SUAREZ. Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the ALONA Party-List, my vote for the next Speaker of the House is my ninong, Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Villarica

REP. VILLARICA. On behalf of the Fourth District of Bulacan, I am honored to vote for Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Violago

REP. VIOLAGO. Magandang hapon po sa ating lahat.

Mr. Presiding Officer, ang Pangalawang Distrito ng Nueva Ecija ay para kay Rep. Martin Romualdez bilang Speaker ng Nineteenth Congress.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Christian Tell

REP. YAP (C.T.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Second District of the province of Tarlac, I vote for Cong. Martin Romualdez as the next Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Christopherson

REP. YAP (C.). Maadyong udto, Mr. Presiding Officer. On behalf of the Second District of Southern Leyte, it is my honor and privilege to cast my vote for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Edvic

REP. YAP, EDVIC. Mr. Presiding Officer, this Representation from the ACT-CIS Party-List votes for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yap, Eric

REP. YAP, ERIC. Magandang hapon po kay VP Inday Sara Duterte.

Bilang Kinatawan ng probinsiya ng Benguet—siyempre po hindi pababayaang ni Speaker Martin Romualdez ang Benguet—we vote for Martin Romualdez bilang Speaker. Congratulations po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yu, Divina Grace

REP. YU (D.G.). Maayong hapon sa tanan.
Mr. Presiding Officer, before I vote, let me acknowledge first the presence of our beautiful Vice President, Hon. Inday Sara Duterte. (*Applause*)

Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Zamboanga del Sur, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yu, Jeyzel Victoria

REP. YU (J.V.). Maayong hapon sa tanan.
Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of Zamboanga del Sur, Second District, I vote for Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker for the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress.

Daghang salamat.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Yulo

REP. YULO. Good afternoon. Good afternoon.

On behalf of the people of the Fifth District of the province of Negros Occidental, I vote for the Hon. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.

Thank you.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zamora, Amparo Maria

REP. ZAMORA (A.M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, sa ngalan po ng Ikalawang Distrito ng lungsod ng Taguig, ang boto po namin ay para kay Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Maraming salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zamora, Maria Carmen

REP. ZAMORA (M.C.). Mr. Presiding Officer, on behalf of the First District of Davao de Oro, I vote for Cong. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zamora, Ysabel Maria

REP. ZAMORA (Y.M.). Mr. Presiding Officer, San Juan City votes for Speaker Martin Romualdez.

Thank you very much.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL.
(Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Zubiri

REP. ZUBIRI. Good afternoon, everyone. Today is my first day as a Member of Congress. I arrived today and immediately, I am here. But I am so happy that on my first day, I already participated and this participation makes me very, very happy. Allow me to read this:

On behalf of the province of Bukidnon, especially the Third District, I cast my vote for Rep. Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress because he has done a lot for us in the province of Bukidnon.

Thank you, Martin. Thank you very much.
(*Applause*)

SECOND ROLL CALL

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL
(Atty. Amorin). Second call for the election of the position of the honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Honorable Representatives:

Ang

REP. ANG. Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please proceed, Your Honor.

REP. ANG. Mr. Presiding Officer.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please proceed, the Honorable Ang.

REP. ANG. Mr. Presiding Officer, to our Vice-President Inday Sara,

VOICE. The Honorable –Sir...

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The Honorable Ang is still on the line.

REP. LACSON. To the Honorable Sara, this Representation from the MANILA TEACHERS Party-List votes “Yes” to the Speakership of Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez. Congratulations, Sir. *(Applause)*

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Hon. Jojo Ang is recognized.

REP. ANG. Thank you, Mr. Presiding Officer. As the Representative of the USWAGILONGGO Party-List, I vote for my good friend, a loyal friend, Rep. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez, as House Speaker for Nineteenth Congress.

Salamat at mauswagon na adlaw sa ating tanan. Congratulations, Mr. Speaker Martin.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Eudela

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Please proceed, Your Honor.

REP. EUDELA. Maayong udtu kanatong tanan. On behalf of the Second District of Zamboanga Sibugay, I give our full support and solid “Yes” vote to the speakership of Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:
Lee
Romualdez, Ferdinand Martin
Tan, Samier
Tan, Stephen

Tulfo, Jocelyn
Tupas

REP. TUPAS. On behalf of the people of the Fifth District of Iloilo, it is my honor to vote for Hon. Ferdinand Martin Romualdez as Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress.
Salamat po.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin), *reading*:

Abalos
Bordado
Bosita
Colada
Dagooc
Daza
De Jesus
Enciso
Espares
Gutierrez
Hataman
Herrera
Libanan
Noel
Ongchuan
Paduano
Soriano
Tan, Reynolds
Vergara

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Your Honors, with four Members abstaining from the vote, 22 Members who did not vote and one negative vote, the result of the voting showed that the Representative from the First District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, garnered 283 votes. *(Applause)*

With 283 votes, the Chair declares the Gentleman from the First District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, as the duly-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)* *

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Presiding Officer, I move that a committee of five Members, composed of Rep. Isidro T. Ungab, Rep. Roberto V. Puno, Rep. Camille A. Villar, Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan, and Rep. Raymond Democrito C.

* Correction on the result of the nominal voting as manifested in *Record* No. 2, dated July 26, 2022

Mendoza be constituted to notify the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez of his election as Speaker of the House of Representatives and, thereafter, to escort the Speaker-elect to the rostrum for his oath-taking rites.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the Notification Committee is hereby constituted.

The Members of the House so named are hereby appointed to the Notification Committee and they are requested to inform the Speaker-elect, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, of his election and to escort him to the rostrum.

The Chair invites the family of the Speaker-elect, Hon. Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, and the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines, Her Excellency Sara Zimmerman Duterte, to join him at the rostrum as he takes his oath of office. (*Applause*)

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The session is suspended.

It was 1:26 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:26 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The session is resumed.

THE DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL (Atty. Amorin). Honorable Members of the House of Representatives, the duly-elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Gentleman from the First District of Leyte, the Hon. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez. (*Applause*)

THE PRESIDING OFFICER (Hon. Mendoza). The Hon. Jaime D. Cojuangco of the First District of Tarlac will administer the oath of office to the Speaker-elect.

The Hon. Jaime D. Cojuangco is requested to come to the rostrum and administer the oath of office to the Speaker.

May we request all the Members of the House to rise.

Everybody rose for the oath of office of the Speaker.

At this juncture, Rep. Ferdinand Martin Gomez Romualdez, together with his family members, Hon. Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, and the Vice President of the Republic of the Philippines, Her Excellency Sara Zimmerman Duterte, ascended the rostrum and took his oath of office as Speaker of the House of Representatives before Rep. Jaime D. Cojuangco of the First District of Tarlac.

OATH-TAKING

REP. COJUANGCO (J.). Please raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, FERDINAND MARTIN GOMEZ ROMUALDEZ, of the First District of Leyte, having been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

Congratulations! (Applause)

At this juncture, the Presiding Officer relinquished the Chair to Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez.

REP. DALIPE. May I request our colleagues in the House to kindly sit.

ACCEPTANCE SPEECH OF SPEAKER ROMUALDEZ (G.)

THE SPEAKER. Good afternoon, Ladies and gentlemen. It is afternoon already so I shall not tarry.

Ladies and gentlemen, the Members of the House of Representatives of the Nineteenth Congress, I would like very much to extend my thanks, first of all, to the President of the Republic of the Philippines, Ferdinand “Bongbong” Romualdez Marcos Jr., for having espoused the message of unity and for supporting the House of Representatives, its leadership and the legislative agenda that we shall forge ahead.

I am deeply grateful for the presence of the Vice President, Vice President and Secretary of Education, Inday Sara Duterte. Daghang salamat. (*Applause*)

Of course, I would like to extend my thanks to my family. My mother who is here, thank you so much, and the rest of my family (*Applause*), my brother, my sister-in-law, my children, thank you for the support and the sacrifices. (*Applause*) And, of course, mostly to my wife, Congresswoman Yedda (*Applause*), you are my inspiration (*Applause*) and most of all, of course, to all our friends here who have made it very, very possible for me to be up here.

I would like to, of course, thank my immediate past predecessor, Speaker Lord Allan Jay Velasco. (*Applause*) Beyond the legislative agenda that we had accomplished together, he, too, is responsible for the refurbishment of the most beautiful Session Hall that we have today. Thank you, Speaker (*Applause*) and, of course, to our Secretary General and the staff who got these all together.

I would like to also thank one and all for your unequivocal support for our leadership for the Nineteenth Congress. Rather than I accept the position, I ask you all to accept the duty of service to the people, for you and I can do this all together as a team, as we had in the previous Congress, and in unity, as they say, there is strength.

I am deeply elated beyond words for the trust and confidence you have reposed upon me, my distinguished Members of the Chamber. Your unqualified support has overwhelmed me and it is with high hopes that together, we shall hurdle the challenges that we face at this stage of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are entering the endemic

stage and we are confident that with the unity that our President has been espousing, we can actually overcome the crippling effects of this pandemic and, of course, the political differences that occurred in the recent elections, as well as the global impacts of the Ukrainian war.

The tasks ahead of us may seemingly be daunting, but our synergy is the seed that will nurture us in the ensuing years.

We will work together to ensure that the House of Representatives truly embodies the will of the people. We will work hand in hand to ensure the swift passage of House measures that are needed by the people, and would support development across all sectors of society and different levels of government. And with unity of purpose, there is nothing that we cannot do.

As your Speaker, I now vow to attend to all the concerns of your constituents. I shall try to be as fair as possible and to favor no one. There will be a fair and equitable distribution of resources for the development of our regions, regardless of political affiliations. Every Filipino family must be included in any developmental agenda. No one gets left behind.

I will keep my office always open, available to all, always open to you, the Members of the House, for we are the House of the People, the Majority and the Minority. Priority will be given to those willing to share their aspirations for all your constituents with me.

Thank you, my dear colleagues, for the honor, for choosing me to serve as your Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Nineteenth Congress. I gladly accept your trust and confidence with the promise that we will collectively work to make the Nineteenth Congress the best it can possibly be.

Mabuhay po kayong lahat! (*Applause*)
Mabuhay ang Pilipino! (*Applause*)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of the Eighteenth Congress’ Rules of the House of Representatives, as amended, as the provisional Rules of the House to govern its proceedings until the adoption of the Rules of the House of Representatives for the Nineteenth Congress.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the Rules of the Eighteenth Congress, as amended, is hereby adopted as the provisional rules for the House of Representatives for the Nineteenth Congress.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed with the oath-taking of the Members of the House of Representatives.

OATH-TAKING

THE SPEAKER. All Members, please rise. Raise your right hand and repeat after me.

I, (Name) of (Address), having been elected to the position of Representative, (District/Party-List), hereby solemnly swear that I will well and faithfully discharge to the best of my ability the duties of my present position and of all others I may hereafter hold under the Republic of the Philippines; that I will support and defend the Constitution of the Philippines; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the laws, legal orders, and decrees promulgated by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines; and that I impose this obligation upon myself voluntarily, without mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

So help me God.

Congratulations. *(Applause)* Welcome to the Nineteenth Congress.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the election of the Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives is now in order.

Acting Floor Leader, please proceed.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKERS

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect Rep. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo as the Senior Deputy Speaker and the following Members as Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives:

Rep. Isidro T. Ungab;

Rep. Roberto V. Puno;
Rep. Camille A. Villar;
Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan; and
Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; Rep. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo is unanimously elected as the Senior Deputy Speaker and the honorable Rep. Isidro T. Ungab, Rep. Roberto V. Puno, Rep. Camille A. Villar, Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan, and Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza are unanimously elected as Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Secretary General.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the election of the Secretary General is now in order.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect Mr. Reginald S. Velasco as the Secretary General of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; Mr. Reginald S. Velasco is unanimously elected as the Secretary General of the House of Representatives. *(Applause)*

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we now proceed to the election of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the election of the Sergeant at Arms is now in order.

ELECTION OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we elect Police Major General Napoleon Caballes Taas (Ret.) as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; Police Major General Napoleon Caballes Taas (Ret.) is unanimously elected as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I now move that we recognize the Representative from the Second District of Cavite, the Hon. Lani Mercado-Revilla.

NOMINATION SPEECH OF REP. MERCADO-REVILLA

REP. MERCADO-REVILLA. Mr. Speaker, my colleagues in this august Chamber, distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, good afternoon.

I stand before you today to nominate the Hon. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe as Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

The role of the Majority Leader is crucial in proper and efficient legislative operation. The Majority Leader serves as the Speaker’s chief lieutenant or field commander. He is in charge of directing the deliberations on the floor and melding the diverse philosophies, viewpoints and agenda of all the Members of the House. And while scheduling the House’s business is a collective activity, the Majority Leader has a large part in shaping the House’s overall agenda and strategically determining when or in what order should a legislative measure be introduced and deliberated on towards its enactment into law.

The person I am nominating today as our new Majority Leader possesses great abilities, skills, knowledge, legislative prowess and mastery of the legislative mill. As we face the challenges of the Nineteenth Congress, there is no better person who can lead us as our Majority Leader than Hon. Mannix Dalipe, a man with proven leadership and integrity, a man who believes in change through cooperation and mutual understanding, a man driven in the advancement of public interest to promote growth and prosperity in the country.

It is with immense pride, great honor and deep confidence that I nominate Hon. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe, the Representative of the Second District of Zamboanga City as our Majority Leader. Yes, Mr. Speaker. (*Applause*)

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion on the part of the Majority to elect the Hon. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe as the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the Hon. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe is elected Majority Leader of the House of Representatives. (*Applause*)

CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. NO. 74

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we consider House Resolution No. 74.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.*

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Resolution No. 74, entitled: “RESOLUTION INFORMING THE SENATE THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS.”

THE SPEAKER. Majority Leader.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Resolution No. 74.

ADOPTION OF H. RES. NO. 74

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt House Resolution No. 74. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; House Resolution No. 74 is adopted.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker.

* Copies of the measure were distributed to the Members earlier. Section 53, Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides that “[a] bill or joint resolution on Second Reading shall be read in full unless copies thereof have been distributed to the Members,” and Section 67 of the same provides that “Resolutions shall be subject to the same procedure as bills.”

THE SPEAKER. Yes.

CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. NO. 75

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we consider House Resolution No. 75.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.*

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Resolution No. 75, entitled: "RESOLUTION INFORMING HIS EXCELLENCY FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR., PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS BEEN ORGANIZED AND HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS."

THE SPEAKER. Majority Leader.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Resolution No. 75.

ADOPTION OF H. RES. NO. 75

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt House Resolution No. 75. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; House Resolution No. 75 is adopted.

CONSIDERATION OF H. CT. RES. NO. 1

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we consider House Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.*

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. House Concurrent Resolution No. 1, entitled: "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO HOLD A JOINT SESSION TO HEAR THE MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of House Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

ADOPTION OF H. CT. RES. NO. 1

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt House Concurrent Resolution No. 1. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; House Concurrent Resolution No. 1 is adopted.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

THE SPEAKER. The session is suspended while the House transmits the messages to the Senate.

It was 1:51 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:52 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE SPEAKER. The session is resumed. Mr. Majority Leader.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for consideration of the Messages from the Senate.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* Hearing none, the consideration of the Messages from the Senate is now in order.

The Secretary General is instructed to read the Messages from the Senate.

* Copies of the measure were distributed to the Members earlier. Section 53, Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides that "[a] bill or joint resolution on Second Reading shall be read in full unless copies thereof have been distributed to the Members," and Section 67 of the same provides that "Resolutions shall be subject to the same procedure as bills."

The Secretary General read the following Messages from the Senate, and the Speaker made the corresponding references:

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated July 25, 2022 informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Resolution No. 2, entitled: RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE SENATE HAS BEEN ORGANIZED WITH THE ELECTION OF ITS OFFICERS AND THAT THIS BODY HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS FOR THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES.

TO THE ARCHIVES

Message dated July 25, 2022 informing the House that the Senate on even date adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, entitled: CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR HIS STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES.

TO THE CALENDAR OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF S. CT. RES. NO. 1

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

May I ask that the Secretary General be directed to read only the title of the measure.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection?

(Silence) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General is directed to read only the title of the measure.*

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, entitled: "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES THAT CONGRESS, NOW CONVENED FOR ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES, IS READY TO HEAR HIS STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS IN A JOINT SESSION OF BOTH HOUSES."

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move for the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

ADOPTION OF S. CT. RES. NO. 1

THE SPEAKER. There is a motion to adopt Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1. Is there any objection? (Silence) The Chair hears none; Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 is adopted.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, in view of the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, authorizing the creation of a Joint Committee of both Houses to notify the President of the Philippines that the Congress is convened and ready to hear his message, on the part of the House, I move that the following be appointed to the Joint Committee: Deputy Speaker Isidro T. Ungab, Deputy Speaker Roberto V. Puno, Deputy Speaker Camille A. Villar, Deputy Speaker Kristine Singson-Meehan, and Deputy Speaker Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? (Silence) (Applause) The Chair hears none; the Members of the House of Representatives so named are hereby appointed to the Joint

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Committee and are requested to immediately discharge their responsibility.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, in order to give the Members of the Joint Committee time to perform their assigned task and until the House counterpart is ready to report back their accomplishment to this House, I move for the suspension of the session.

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the session is suspended.

It was 1:57 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 1:58 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE SPEAKER. Majority Leader. The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, may I request our dear colleagues to kindly take their seats.

Mr. Speaker, we have received a report from the Joint Committee that the President has been informed that Congress will convene in a Joint Session at four o'clock this afternoon, to hear his State of the Nation Address.

Mr. Speaker, we wish to remind the members of this Chamber that all of us must be here an hour before the Joint Session at four o'clock.

THE SPEAKER. The remarks of the Majority Leader are hereby duly noted.

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we recognize the Secretary General for an announcement.

THE SPEAKER. The Secretary General is recognized.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. Members who did not vote for Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez are hereby requested to attend and participate in the meeting for the purpose of electing the Minority Leader to be held at 2:15 p.m. today, July 25, 2022, at the Minority Leader Conference Room, North Wing Basement. Thank you.

THE SPEAKER. The announcement of the Secretary General is duly noted.
Majority Leader.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

REP. DALIPE. Mr. Speaker, to give way to the Joint Session at four o'clock this afternoon, I move that we adjourn the session until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at two o'clock in the afternoon. *(Applause)*

THE SPEAKER. Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the session is adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

It was 2:00 p.m.