

1 **WHEREAS**, the Senate seeks to sustain the momentum in
2 providing the political universal commitment needed to realize
3 international cooperation and synergistic actions on ocean affairs, most
4 especially its conservation and sustainable management;

5 **WHEREAS**, the Senate expresses its serious concern over the
6 high vulnerability of the Philippines to climate change, according to
7 Global Climate Risk Index 2016, being an archipelagic nation that is at
8 the receiving end of eight to nine typhoons per year and at the same
9 time a victim of exceptional catastrophes such as Typhoon Ketsana
10 (“Ondoy”) in 2009, Typhoon Washi (“Sendong”) in 2011, Typhoon
11 Bopha (“Pablo”) in 2012, Typhoon Haiyan (“Yolanda”) in 2013, and
12 Typhoon Rammasun (“Glenda”) in 2014;

13 **WHEREAS**, with the end view of encouraging direct involvement
14 among the citizens and instilling upon them their intergenerational
15 responsibility in the conservation and sustainable management of the
16 oceans, the Senate is conscious of the need to heighten public
17 awareness and profound understanding of the vital role of the oceans in
18 the survival of all life;

19 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY**
20 **RESOLVED, THAT THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES**
21 **EXPRESS ITS FULL SUPPORT AND ACTIVE**
22 **PARTICIPATION IN THE OBSERVANCE OF WORLD**
23 **OCEANS DAY ON JUNE 8 OF EVERY YEAR.**

Adopted,


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