

RESOLUTION NO. 566

"This house embraces the historical opinion of the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan in the Presidential reference filed 12 years ago by President Asif Ali Zardari to reopen the case of death sentence of the 1st elected Prime Minister of Pakistan Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

As per opinion of the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan. 45 years ago, during the rule of a Military dictator, when Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was sentenced to death, justice and a fair trial was not granted in accordance with the constitution.

The Supreme Court has acknowledged, by its remarkable decision that Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's execution was a judicial murder and did not receive a fair trial according to the law. This ruling highlights the importance of upholding the principles of justice and ensuring that all individuals, regardless of their status, are entitled to a fair trial in accordance with the Constitution. It serves as a reminder of the need to address past injustices and uphold the rule of law in the pursuit of justice and accountability.

The verdict on the Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhuttos case should be overturned.

On this occasion, we salute the sacrifices of Begum Nusrat Bhutto and Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto, who sacrificed their lives to seek justice against the cold blooded judicial murder of Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto. The House also acknowledges the efforts of Chairman Pakistan Peoples Party Bilawal Bhutto Zardari who single mindedly pursued the Presidential reference in the Supreme Court of Pakistan."

That Senate of Pakistan should approach the Federal Government that:

- 1. Shaheed Zulifqar ali Bhutto should be declared a "National Democratic Hero"
- 2. This house demands from the Federal Government to officially declare Zulfikar Ali Bhutto as "Shaheed".

3. Also, the "Nishan-e-Zulfikar Ali Bhutto" should be awarded to political workers and activists who have fought and sacrificed their lives for democracy.

Moved by Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on her behalf and on behalf of Senators Saleem Mandviwalla Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Taj Haider, Rubina Khalid, Shahadat Awan, Keshoo Bai, Syed Waqar Mehdi, Muhammad Akram, Anwar Lal Dean, Abida Muhammad Azeem, Fawzia Arshad, Haji Hidayatullah Khan, Falak Naz, Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, Sana Jamali, Shaheen Khalid Butt, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Khalida Ateeb, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo and Naseem Ehsan Unanimously Passed by the Senate of Pakistan Islamabad, Friday, the 8th March, 2024.