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## RESOLUTION No. 26

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND COMMENDING THE ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS, PHILANTHROPY AND EDUCATION ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN OF MR. ALLAN "apl. de. ap" PINEDA

Whereas, the Senate of the Philippines, on several occasions, has recognized and extended accolades to outstanding Filipinos for achieving international renown in the field of music and the arts while extolling the Filipino virtues of perseverance, resilience and hardwork;

WHEREAS, among such Filipino artists is Mr. Allan "apl. de. ap" Pineda, a member of the group "Black Eyed Peas", who had infused elements of the Filipino culture in his various acts and performances that earned critical international acclaim;

Whereas, on account of his fame, good fortune and kind heart, Mr. Pineda has been an active ambassador and partner in the promotion of education in the Philippines, particularly among the children and underprivileged;

Whereas, in 2012, Mr. Pineda was among the Ten Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) awardees of the Philippines recognized by the Junior Chamber International-Philippines, Inc., the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and the TOYM Foundation, Inc.;

Whereas, the recognition conferred on Mr. Pineda as one of the 2012 TOYM awardees was anchored not only on his achievements in the international music scene but more importantly as well, on account of the establishment of the "apl. de. ap" Foundation, a socio-civic-minded organization committed to improving the welfare of Filipino children, as well as the formation of Jeepney Music, Inc., a company organized to provide opportunities to emerging Filipino artists;

Whereas, through these organizations and in close cooperation with similarly minded organizations like the Ninoy and Cory Aquino Foundation, Inc., Ayala Foundation, Inc., the Philippine Development Foundation and the 57-55 Movement for Educational Reform, Mr. Pineda has progressed his efforts to extend the opportunities of basic and higher education to a greater number of underprivileged but deserving youth in the country by committing himself to help close the classroom-student gap in the country through the "Bayanihang Pampaaralan" initiative, establish a mentoring program, and put up an endowment fund for the benefit of deserving students;

Whereas, on account of his accomplishments, Mr. Pineda stands not only as an example of professional success borne out of hardwork and perseverance but also a model for social consciousness and nationalism that our fellow Filipinos should emulate: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, as it is hereby resolved, To acknowledge and commend the artistic achievements, philanthropy and education advocacy campaign of Mr. Allan "apl. de. ap" Pineda, who has been an effective ambassador of music and the arts, as well as a paragon of professional success, social consciousness and nationalism.

Adopted,

FRANKLIN M. DRILON President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 29, 2014.

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Secretary of the Senate