

Republic of the Philippines
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RESOLUTION No. 106

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING
THE ARTISTS AND PRODUCTION TEAM OF THE
MOVIE "REWIND" ON ITS SUCCESS AS THE
HIGHEST-GROSSING FILIPINO FILM OF ALL
TIME IN THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED METRO
MANILA FILM FESTIVAL 2023

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Film Festival (MMFF), which started in 1975, is an annual film festival organized by the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) and is being held in the Philippines to promote high-quality and locally-made movies and to promote the same to reach a wider audience across the country;

WHEREAS, for almost five decades, the MMFF has become the most awaited film festival both for filmmakers and moviegoers every year during the Christmas holiday season;

WHEREAS, the film and entertainment industry is among the sectors globally that took a massive blow due to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, which prompted indefinite delays in film production, closure of movie theaters, and imposition of social distancing restrictions to the general public;

WHEREAS, the organizers have been vocal that the goal of last year's fete, dubbed as the 49th Metro Manila Film Festival, is to "bring back moviegoers to cinemas" through the outstanding roster of entries and stars in the ten (10) carefully selected films that made it through the judges' screening process;

WHEREAS, in a report released by the Philippine Daily Inquirer, the MMFF officials announced that the 2023 MMFF is "officially the highest-grossing edition of all time" as it was able to surpass the box-office earnings of the 2018 edition at P1.069 billion as of 07 January 2024;

WHEREAS, this achievement is a testament to the return of a vibrant and flourishing Philippine film industry – attributed to the hard work and commitment of artists, writers, directors, and all members of the production teams;

WHEREAS, leading this incredible success is the movie "Rewind" starring real-life couple Dingdong Dantes and Marian Rivera-Dantes, directed by Mae Cruz-Alviar, which earned a total of P815 million in domestic sales as of 17 January 2024, making it the country's highest grossing film ever;

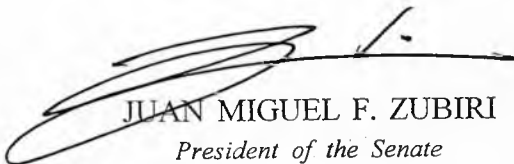
WHEREAS, Dingdong Dantes and Marian Rivera-Dantes serve as inspiration, not only as artists on screen but also as one of the inspiring couple celebrities championing family values, entrepreneurship, and philanthropic deeds to help our fellow countrymen;

WHEREAS, recognizing this victory as well as the people behind it proves our pride and gratitude to those who

relentlessly work to contribute to the evolution of the country's cinematic landscape: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To congratulate and commend the artists and production team of the movie "Rewind" on its success as the highest-grossing Filipino film of all time in the recently concluded Metro Manila Film Festival 2023.

Adopted,



JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on February 19, 2024.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.
Secretary of the Senate