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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE MADRIGAL SINGERS FOR BEING CONFERRED THE GUIDONEUM AWARD 2010 BY THE FONDAZIONE GUIDO D'AREZZO AT THE 58TH INTERNATIONAL CHORAL COMPETITION ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2010 IN AREZZO, ITALY.

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for their astonishing feat of bringing home pride and glory to the country by becoming victors in the global arena;

WHEREAS, the University of the Philippines Madrigal Singers (UPMS), also known as the Philippine Madrigal Singers or simply Madz was conferred the prestigious "Guidoneum Award 2010" by the Fondazione Guido d'Arezzo, organizers of the Arezzo International Choral Competition, one of the top competitions in the choral world, after their gala concert at the closing of the 58th International Choral Competition on 18 September 2010 in Arezzo, Italy;

WHEREAS, the Fondazione Guido d'Arezzo honoured the Madz "for the artistic and choral promotion activity that they carried out after they won the European Grand Prix for Choral Singing in 2007" and "for all that the Philippine Madrigal Singers have done for the choral world";

WHEREAS, the Philippine Madrigal Singers, one of the major cultural groups, was formed at the University of the Philippines nearly 50 years ago by National Artist Andrea O. Veneracion and specializes in the Madrigal, a polyphonic and challenging musical style popular during the Renaissance period, but its sundry repertoire ranges from the Renaissance madrigals to the avant-garde, from Filipino and international folksongs to the latest pop hits, even from the most cerebral choral masterpieces to the most humorous of novelty numbers;

WHEREAS, the Madz is the only choir in the world to win the European Grand Prix in two consecutive years, 2006 and 2007, in one of the top global choral competitions and was hailed as UNESCO's newest Artists for Peace in July 2009;

WHEREAS, this exceptional distinction earned by our Filipino singing group deserves to be commended for the honor and recognition it has brought to our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to congratulate and commend the Philippine Madrigal Singers for being conferred the *Guidoneum Award* 2010 by the *Fondazione Guido d'Arezzo* at the 58th International Choral Competition on 18 September 2010 in Arezzo, Italy.

Adopted,

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID Senator