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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

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**RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO STUDENT JERNALYN GAYON FOR PLACING THIRD IN THE WORLD BANK'S 2009 INTERNATIONAL ESSAY COMPETITION FOR HER PHOTOGRAPH ON HOW PEOPLE CAN SPONSOR A SCHOLAR EVERY MONTH BY COLLECTING PLASTIC BOTTLES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for their outstanding achievements in bringing home pride and glory to the country by becoming champions in international competitions;

**WHEREAS**, Western Mindanao State University student Jernalyn Gayon was declared by the World Bank as third among more than 2,000 submissions from over 150 countries, 90 percent of which come from developing countries, in its 2009 International Essay Competition for her photograph on how people can sponsor a scholar every month by collecting plastic bottles;

**WHEREAS**, the International Essay Competition is an annual, worldwide contest managed by the World Bank Office in Paris targeting youth aged between 18 to 25 years and this year's topic was "How does climate change affect you? How do you tackle climate change through youth-led solutions?" with the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Korean Ministry of Strategy and Finance, and the World Bank as this year's competition sponsors;

**WHEREAS**, a World Bank statement indicates that the Philippine entries were a valuable indication of how Filipino youth feel about climate change;

**WHEREAS**, by winning this worldwide online competition, Western Mindanao State University student Jernalyn Gayon has made our country proud and has shown to the world the spirit of Filipino ingenuity and excellence;

**WHEREAS**, this outstanding performance by our Filipino student deserves to be commended for the honor and recognition she has brought to our country.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend Filipino student Jernalyn Gayon for placing third in the World Bank's 2009 International Essay Competition for her photograph on how people can sponsor a scholar every month by collecting plastic bottles.

**Adopted,**

  
**MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID**  
Senator