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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO STUDENT VICTOR MARCO EMMANUEL FERRIOLS FOR PLACING THIRD IN THE WORLD BANK'S 2009 INTERNATIONAL ESSAY COMPETITION FOR HIS VIDEO ENTRY ENTITLED "LOSING SHORES, LOSING MORE".

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, University of the Philippines-Visayas student Victor Marco Emmanuel Ferriols 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 his video entry entitled "Losing Shores, Losing More";

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, University of the Philippines student Victor Marco Emmanuel Ferriols 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 he has brought to our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend Filipino student Victor Marco Emmanuel Ferriols for placing third in the World Bank's 2009 International Essay Competition for his video entry entitled "Losing Shores, Losing More".

Adopted,


MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator