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SENATE  
P.S. Res. No. 869

RE: 

Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO INDEPENDENT FILMMAKER BRILLANTE MENDOZA FOR BEING CONFERRED THE LA NAVICELLA VENEZIA CINEMA AWARD BY THE RIVISTA DEL CINEMATOGRAFO AND THE P. NAZARENO TADDEI AWARD SPECIAL MENTION DURING THE 69<sup>TH</sup> VENICE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL ON 29 AUGUST TO 8 SEPTEMBER 2012 FOR THE FILM SINAPUPUNAN (THY WOMB).**

**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 champions in the international scene;

**WHEREAS**, Filipino independent filmmaker Brillante Mendoza made the country proud when he was conferred the *La Navicella Venezia Cinema* given by the *Rivista del Cinematografo* and the P. Nazareno Taddei Award Special Mention during the 69<sup>th</sup> Venice International Film Festival on 29 August to 8 September 2012 for the film *Sinapupunan* (Thy Womb).

**WHEREAS**, the *La Navicella Venezia Cinema* or the Venezia Cinema Prize is a collateral award given by the *Rivista del Cinematografo* or Journal of Cinema, before the conclusion of the Venice Film Festival, to the festival's participating film directors who are "considered particularly relevant for the affirmation of human values";

**WHEREAS**, Brillante Mendoza's *Sinapupunan* (Thy Womb) was cited "for giving voice to the Badjao community in a respectful and emotionally involved manner";

**WHEREAS**, with the said citation, Brillante Mendoza will be among the caliber of luminaries Kathryn Bigelow, Louis Malle, Zhang Yimou, Stephen Frears and Abel Ferrara;

**WHEREAS**, Brillante Mendoza was also given the P. Nazareno Taddei Award Special Mention, an award established in 2007 and named after a Jesuit priest, and awarded to films that "express authentic human values";

**WHEREAS**, the movie *Sinapupunan* (Thy Womb) have made our country proud and have shown to the world the spirit of Filipino ingenuity and excellence;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend Filipino filmmaker Brillante Mendoza for being conferred the *La Navicella Venezia Cinema Award* by the *Rivista del Cinematografo* and the P. Nazareno Taddei Award Special Mention during the 69<sup>th</sup> Venice International Film Festival on 29 August to 8 September 2012 for the film *Sinapupunan*. (Thy Womb).

**Adopted,**

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