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## Introduced by Senator Loren Legarda

## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING BRILLANTE MENDOZA FOR WINNING THE LA NAVICELLA VENEZIA CINEMA AWARD AND THE P. NAZARÈNO TADEI AWARD SPECIAL MENTION DURING THE 69<sup>TH</sup> VENICE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Brillante Mendoza, an internationally acclaimed independent filmmaker from San Fernando, Pampanga, was awarded the La Navicella Venezia Cinema Award of the Rivista del Cinematografo for his latest film "Thy Womb" at the 69<sup>th</sup> Venice International Film Festival last September 8, 2012;

**WHEREAS**, he also received the P. Nazareno Taddei Award Special Mention for "Thy Womb" during the closing ceremonies of the same festival last September 9, 2012;

WHEREAS, by winning the La Navicella Venezia Cinema Award, he joins the ranks of legendary auteurs such as Kathryn Bigelow, Louis Malle, Zhang Yimou, Stephen Frears, and Abel Ferrara;

WHEREAS, his film "Thy Womb" explores the intricacies of rural life largely through the eyes of a Badjao midwife, thereby revealing new facets of the plight of Filipino indigenous peoples, especially the unique struggles of women;

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Mendoza has consistently shown his caliber as a filmmaker through an impressive filmography and numerous local and international awards;

WHEREAS, the critical praises and awards he garnered during the 69<sup>th</sup> Venice International Film Festival are the latest in a long list of accolades that have renewed international interest in the immense talent of Filipino filmmakers in general;

WHEREAS, Mr. Mendoza's films continue to contribute to the enrichment of Filipino arts and culture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate congratulates Brillante Mendoza for winning the La Navicella Venezia Cinema Award and the P. Nazareno Tadei Award Special Mention during the 69<sup>th</sup> Venice International Film Festival.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this resolution be given to Mr. Brillante Mendoza.

Adopted,

LOREN LEGARDA
Senator