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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MANILA CHORALE AND IMUSICAPELLA CHAMBER CHOIR FOR WINNING 1ST AND 2ND PRIZES, RESPECTIVELY, IN THE POLYPHONY CATEGORY OF THE 61ST INTERNATIONAL HABANERAS AND POLYPHONY CHOIR COMPETITION IN TORREVIEJA, SPAIN ON 19 TO 25 JULY 2015

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 international competitions;

WHEREAS, the University of the Philippines Manila Chorale and Imusicapella Chamber Choir made the country proud after they 1st and 2nd prizes, respectively, in the Polyphony category of the 61st International Habaneras and Polyphony Choir Competition in Torrevieja, Spain on 19 to 25 July 2015;

WHEREAS, established in 1955, the International Habaneras and Polyphony Choir Competition is a yearly choral contest and is one of the most popular cultural events within Torrevieja;

WHEREAS, the University of Philippines Manila Chorale bagged the top plum and earned praises after a brilliant performance of two complex pieces: John August Pamintuan's *De Profundis* (From the Depths) and a Filipino song *Dayo, Dayo Kupita*;

WHEREAS, Imusicapella Chamber Choir placed second after delivering a "moving interpretation" of its polyphony piece;

WHEREAS, the exemplary performances displayed by our Filipino choral groups have shown to the world that we are a country richly blessed with talented Filipino singers;

WHEREAS, by emerging victorious in this international competition the University of the Philippines Manila Chorale and Imusicapella Chamber made our country proud and have shown the world the spirit of Filipino competitiveness and excellence.

WHEREAS, the outstanding performances by our choral groups deserve to be commended for the honor and recognition they have brought our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to congratulate and commend the University of the Philippines Manila Chorale and Imusicapella Chamber Choir for winning 1st and 2nd prizes, respectively, in the Polyphony category of the 61st International Habaneras and Polyphony Choir Competition in Torrevieja, Spain on 19 to 25 July 2015.

Adopted,

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID