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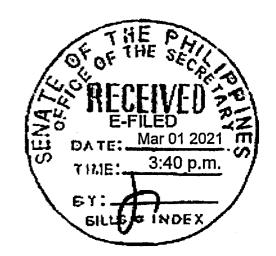
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## SENATE P.S. RES. NO. <u>670</u>

## Introduced by SENATOR SONNY ANGARA

## RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE

## CONGRATULATING AND OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN (TOYM) 2020 AWARDEES FOR THEIR SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WELFARE OF THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, The Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) Awards seek to recognize the outstanding achievement of young Filipino men and women between the ages of 18 to 40 years old, which have resulted in positive changes in the nation and to the advancement of their respective fields;

WHEREAS, the TOYM Awards strives to inspire others, especially young active citizens, by recognizing the contribution of young men and women who demonstrated vigor and enterprise in addressing societal problems through sustainable solutions;

WHEREAS, the TOYM Awards is an annual search spearheaded by the Junior Chamber International (JCI) Philippines together with the TOYM Foundation, Inc. and the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and for 2020, is co-sponsored by PLDT, Inc., Smart Communications and Advantage Management Consulting Philippines, Inc.

WHEREAS, since its inception in 1959, TOYM has developed a reputation for its selectiveness of outstanding young active citizens – totalling 510 by now – upon whom the award is conferred;

WHEREAS, with the theme "Pilipino: Tagumpay Natin ang Galing Md", the 2020 TOYM Awards recognized seven (7) exemplary and selfless individuals who have brought service to others, exuded excellence, shown outstanding leadership and made significant contributions to the country;

WHEREAS, the 2020 TOYM Awardees are considered to be true models of excellence worth emulating by the young generation and the nation in general;

WHEREAS, the Senate, as an expression of its support to the youth and nation-building, joins the JCI Philippines, PLDT, Inc., Smart Communications, Gerry Roxas
Foundation, Inc., Advantage Management Consulting Philippines, Inc. and TOYM
Foundation, Inc. in recognizing and honoring the TOYM Awardees for 2020;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend The Outstanding Young Men 2020 Awardees namely:

- Mr. David L. Almirol Jr. (Science Technology and Engineering) the founder and CEO of Multisys Technologies Corp., a software and technology company, with more than 20 digital technology solutions, making it simple and cost effective for businesses to thrive;
- 2. Mr. Edgar T. Elago (Community Development/Education) a teacher who founded Project Scholar, that grew into Adopt a Manobo and a Mananwa Student, and that links financially constrained but deserving students to possible college degrees. He likewise started Cooltura Couture, featuring indigenous peoples (IPs) works of art in fashion;
- 3. Mr. George I. Royeca (Business Entrepreneurship in Pioneering Industries) the co-founder of the app-based motorbike taxi service "Angkas" which generated employment, affirmed the dignity of those previously referred as "habal-habal" drivers; and uplifted their status and capabilities;
- 4. Atty. Lesley Jeanne Y. Cordero (Political and Social Sciences) a Senior Disaster Risk Management Specialist for the World Bank who handles a \$1-billion program on the overall response to the disaster risk of the Philippines; During her previous stint in government, she coordinated the creation and implementation of the Yolanda Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Recovery Plan;
- 5. Dr. Raymond Francis R. Sarmiento (Medicine) the first and only Filipino to receive formal training on clinical informatics and public health informatics. Despite lucrative job offers abroad, Dr. Sarmiento came back to the Philippines to develop the country's first health interoperability software connection, paving the way for better technology, efficacy, and efficiency and improved local health standards;

- Capt. Ron T. Villarosa Jr. (Community Development/Military Service) Capt.
   Villarosa is responsible for the creation of many livelihood, evacuation,
   education and infrastructure programs in war-torn areas. He created systems
   that prevented violent extremists from entering communities and creating
   bigger conflicts;
- 7. Mayor Victor Ma. Regis N. Sotto (Government Service) a role model for good governance who was recently named as one of the U.S. State Department's 12 International Anti-corruption Champions, Mayor Vico has been credited with changing many outdated policies and adapting them to the modern needs of his constituents. He is also delivering better quality education, health and wellness, and housing for his constituency.

Adopted,

**SONNY ANGARA**