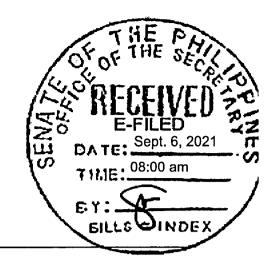
## EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Third Regular Session

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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri

## RESOLUTION CONFERRING THE PHILIPPINE SENATE MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE TO 2021 RAMON MAGSAYSAY AWARDEE ROBERTO BALLON

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 110 establishes the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence in order to recognize, honor, and commend outstanding Filipinos, for their exemplary service, exceptional achievements, and invaluable contributions to nation-building;

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 110 provides that the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence be conferred upon Filipinos who are presented the Ramon Magsaysay Award;

**WHEREAS**, the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation announced on 31 August 2021 the recipients of the prestigious Ramon Magsaysay Award, considered to be Asia's premier prize and highest honor traditionally conferred on individuals and organizations engaged in selfless service to the peoples of the region;

**WHEREAS,** fisherman and community environmentalist Roberto Ballon is one of the 2021 Ramon Magsaysay awardees, recognized for "his inspiring determination in leading his fellow fisherfolk to revive a dying fishing industry by creating a sustainable marine environment for this generation and generations to come, and his shining example of how everyday acts of heroism can truly be extraordinary and transformative";

**WHEREAS**, Roberto Ballon is the only Filipino to be presented with this year's award and he joins the elite roster of 57 other Filipinos who have been given the honor since the Ramon Magsaysay Awards' inception in 1958: Now, therefore, be it

**Resolved, as it is hereby resolved,** To confer the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence to Roberto Ballon for being awarded the 2021 Ramon Magsaysay Award, thus bringing honor and prestige to the Republic of the Philippines, and serving as inspiration to the Filipino youth and generations of Filipinos hereafter.

Adopted,

JUAN-MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI