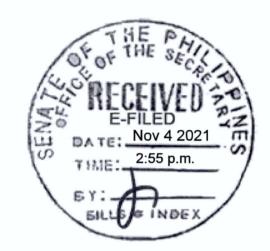
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## SENATE

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Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

## **RESOLUTION**

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING CARLOS FRANCISCO MANATAD FOR WINNING THE BEST DIRECTOR AWARD AT THE 2021 LONDON EAST ASIA FILM FESTIVAL

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has, on numerous instances, given recognition and commendation to exemplary Filipinos for bringing pride and honor to the country by winning in international competitions;

*WHEREAS*, last November 1, 2021, Filipino filmmaker Carlos Francisco Manatad won the Best Director Award at the 2021 London East Asia Film Festival for the film "Kun Maupay Man It Panahon";

WHEREAS, "Kun Maupay Man It Panahon" is set during the devastation of supertyphoon Yolanda and revolves around the story of a mother (Charo Santos-Concio) and her son (Daniel Padilla) as they struggle for survival and deal with the absurdity of fate;

WHEREAS, the London East Asia Film Festival, established in 2015 "to champion the growing collaboration and diversity in East Asian filmmaking", praised the Filipino entry as a film that impressed with its "blend of the fantastical with the painfully true, and the delicate" and commended the director "on an extraordinary accomplished debut feature, one to which he has a deep personal connection";

*WHEREAS*, aside from this achievement, the film competed at the 74<sup>th</sup> Locarno Film Festival where it bagged the Youth Jury Prize, and was also screened at the 2021 Toronto International Film Festival;

WHEREAS, recognizing this milestone of Carlos Francisco Manatad is in accord with the 1987 Constitution's acknowledgement of the importance of arts and culture in fostering patriotism and nationalism and in promoting total human liberation and development;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, for the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend Carlos Francisco Manatad for winning the Best Director Award at the 2021 London East Asia Film Festival.

Adopted,

MANUEL " LITO" M. LAPID

Senator