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Introduced by Senator JOEL VILLANUEVA

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**RESOLUTION**  
**RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING THE TEAM BEHIND THE**  
**SHORT FILM, THE HEADHUNTER'S DAUGHTER, FOR WINNING**  
**THE SHORT FILM GRAND JURY PRIZE AT THE 2022 SUNDANCE**  
**FILM FESTIVAL**

**WHEREAS**, the Headhunter's Daughter is a Filipino short film about an Igorot who leaves her family behind to try her luck as a country singer;<sup>1</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the film was directed by Cordilleran independent film writer, Don Josepus Raphael Eblahan, produced by Alemberg Ang and Hannah Schierbeek<sup>2</sup> and stars Igorot actress and indigenous tattoo artist Ammin Acha-ur,<sup>3</sup> and veteran actor Pablo Quintos;<sup>4</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the Sundance Film Festival is the ultimate gathering of original storytellers and audiences with an annual program that includes dramatic and documentary features, short films, and episodic content;<sup>5</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the film won Short Film Grand Jury Prize at the 2022 Sundance Film Festival<sup>6</sup> and was also nominated for the Grand Prix at the 2022 Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival;<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> November 13, 2022. PH Sundance winner 'The Headhunter's Daughter' at QCinema. Available at: <https://entertainment.inquirer.net/471964/ph-sundance-winner-the-headhunters-daughter-at-qcinema> (Date last accessed: December 31, 2022)

<sup>2</sup> 2022 Sundance Film Festival Awards Announced. Available at: <https://www.sundance.org/blogs/2022-sundance-film-festival-awards-announced/> (Date last accessed: January 2, 2022).

<sup>3</sup> November 15, 2022. Igorot artist soars from indigenous tattooing to film acting. Available at: <https://palawan-news.com/kalinga-artist-soars-from-indigenous-tattooing-to-film-making/> (Date last accessed: January 3, 2022)

<sup>4</sup> The Headhunter's Daughter. Available at: <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt16392090/> (Date last accessed: January 2, 2022)

<sup>5</sup> The Sundance Film Festival

Available at: <https://www.sundance.org/festivals/sundance-film-festival/about/> (Date last accessed: January 2, 2022)

<sup>6</sup> Supra at Note 2

<sup>7</sup> February 14, 2022, Short Talk – Don Josephus Raphael Eblahan. Available at: <https://clermont-filmfest.org/en/short-talk-don-josephus-raphael-eblahan/> (Date last accessed: January 3, 2022).

**WHEREAS**, the victory of the film reaffirms and follows the prior recognition and awards given to Filipino films, is a testament to the world-class talent and creativity of Filipino filmmakers, and promotes the global recognition of Filipino films and culture;

**RESOLVED BY THE SENATE**, as it is hereby resolved, to commend and congratulate the team behind the Headhunter's Daughter for winning the Short Film Grand Jury Prize at the 2022 Sundance Film Festival.

Adopted,

  
JOEL VILLANUEVA