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**RESOLUTION  
COMMENDING GLENN SUERTE BANAGUAS FOR BECOMING THE FIRST  
FILIPINO SCIENCE DIPLOMAT NAMED AS FELLOW AT THE ROYAL SOCIETY  
FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF ARTS, MANUFACTURES AND COMMERCE  
(RSA) IN THE UNITED KINGDOM**

1       **WHEREAS**, the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures  
2 and Commerce (RSA) has been at the forefront of significant social impact for over  
3 two hundred sixty (260) years. The RSA is committed to a world that is resilient,  
4 rebalanced and regenerative, where everyone can fulfill their potential. Their proven  
5 change process, rigorous research, innovative ideas platforms and unique global  
6 network of changemakers, work collectively to enable people, places and the planet  
7 to flourish<sup>1</sup>;

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9       **WHEREAS**, Glenn Suerte Banaguas is the first science diplomat from the  
10 Philippines to become a fellow of the RSA<sup>2</sup>;

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12       **WHEREAS**, Glenn Suerte Banaguas is a multi-awarded scientist, science  
13 diplomat, educator, and one of the leading experts on environment, climate change,  
14 and disaster risk<sup>3</sup>;

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16       **WHEREAS**, Glenn Suerte Banaguas is the first and only Filipino individual  
17 awardee of the prestigious global award of the United Nations (UN) Sasakawa  
18 Laureate for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)<sup>4</sup>;

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<sup>1</sup> RSA About us. Available at <https://www.thersa.org/about>

<sup>2</sup> Pinoy climate scientist joins UK's Royal Society of Arts. Available at  
<https://www.philstar.com/headlines/2023/01/31/2241400/pinoy-climate-scientist-joins-uks-royal-society-arts>

<sup>3</sup> Geneva Centre for Security Policy Expert Profile. Available at <https://www.gcsp.ch/our-experts/sci-dpl-glenn-s-banaguas#:~:text=He%20is%20the%20recipient%20of,Environment%20Conservation%20and%20Science%20Diplomacy.>

<sup>4</sup> Ibid

1           **WHEREAS**, Glenn Suerte Banaguas' other recognitions include:<sup>5</sup>  
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- 3           ● Youngest honoree of the Outstanding Filipino (TOFIL) Laureate for the  
4           field of Environmental Conservation and Science Diplomacy
- 5           ● the Sustainability Leadership Honoree of the Asia Leaders Award;
- 6           ● recipient of Outstanding Young Scientist (OYS) of the Philippines  
7           Environmental Management conferred by the National Academy of  
8           Science and Technology (NAST)
- 9           ● He is a grantee of the United Kingdom's The Royal Society, The World  
10           Academy of Sciences (TWAS), Environmental Defense Fund (EDF), and  
11           Solar Radiation Management Governance Initiative
- 12           ● He is a recipient of the Philippine's Men and Women of Science
- 13           ● Outstanding Agro-Fishery Awardee
- 14           ● AIESEC's Outstanding Leadership Award and other international awards
- 15           ● ASEAN Champions for Biodiversity and Environmental Hero Award in the  
16           Philippines
- 17           ● ASEAN Risk Awards in Yogyakarta, Indonesia
- 18           ● Nominated at the Elliason Global Partnership in Boston, Massachusetts,  
19           USA
- 20           ● He is part of the team that won The Rockefeller Foundation Food System  
21           Vision Prize - Special Mention Award
- 22           ● One of his research advocacy works was featured as one of the top 10  
23           projects in "Gender Equality in Water Governance" in the world  
24           conferred by the Global Water Partnership (GWP) in Stockholm, Sweden
- 25           ● the first Filipino who was awarded by the US Department of State for  
26           science and technology in the field of climate change and sustainable  
27           energy
- 28           ● the first Filipino who was featured by "The Big Idea", a US Mission to  
29           ASEAN platform that features people who have made significant  
30           contributions in South East Asia

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32           **WHEREAS**, Glenn Suerte Banaguas' countless achievements, distinct ability  
33           and tenacity inspire Filipinos all over the world and give our country worldwide  
34           recognition;  
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36           **RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Senate of the Philippines,  
37           to commend Glenn Suerte Banaguas' for becoming the first Filipino science diplomat  
38           named as fellow at the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures  
39           and Commerce (RSA) in the United Kingdom.  
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46           **MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY**

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<sup>5</sup> Ibid