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Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda

RESOLUTION CONFERRING THE SENATE MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE TO THESPIAN DOLLY DE LEON FOR RECEIVING INTERNATIONAL DISTINCTIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 1987 Constitution that ordains and declares that utmost priority should be accorded to the Arts with the aim of fostering patriotism, nationalism, and pride in being Filipino;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 110, the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence is to be bestowed and conferred upon Filipinos who have excelled in their field of expertise and set high standards of excellence, nationalism, and virtue that their fellow Filipinos can aspire for;

WHEREAS, the compleat artist, Dolly de Leon, showcased her thespian skills playing the role of Abigail, an overseas Filipino worker in charge of housekeeping in a yacht populated by rich passengers in the 2022 Cannes Film Festival, where the movie, Triangle of Sadness, won the festival's highest prize, the Palme d'Or;

WHEREAS, by the strength of Dolly de Leon's performance, she was awarded Best Actress in a Supporting Role by the LA Film Critics Association;

WHEREAS, she has made history by being the first Filipino to be nominated in a performance category by the prestigious Golden Globe Awards and the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA);

WHEREAS, she has been a dedicated theatre actress for the last thirty years, performing roles in the works of William Shakespeare, Samuel Beckett, and Harold Pinter, as well as Filipino playwrights of the Dulaang UP Theatre Company;

WHEREAS, Dolly de Leon exemplifies the spirit of community engagement with her Project Hulmahan, a fundraising activity for Marikina Shoemakers who have been displaced by the pandemic;

WHEREAS, Dolly de Leon has an indomitable passion not only for her craft, having taken on roles of all sorts in film, television, and theater for more than three decades before she conquered the world cinema stage, but for life as well, having been a shining example to Filipinos and fellow thespians to continue to dream and to forge a path for all Filipino artists in the global arena;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to confer the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence to Dolly de Leon for her exceptional performance in the movie Triangle of Sadness, deserving of the accolades and adulations of her fellow artists, kababayans, and the world, and for bringing prestige and honor to the country.

Adopted.

LOREN LEGARDA