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Introduced by Senator Francis N. Pangilinan

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**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING GAWAD KALINGA ON ITS SECOND YEAR  
ANNIVERSARY FOR ITS EXEMPLARY CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
WELFARE OF THE MARGINALIZED**

**WHEREAS**, under Article II, Section 20 of the 1987 Constitution, the State declares as its policy the recognition of indispensable role of the private sector;

**WHEREAS**, in accordance therewith, the State encourages participation of non-governmental, community-based, or sectoral organizations for the promotion of the welfare of the nation under Section 23 of the same Article;

**WHEREAS**, among the various non-governmental or sectoral organizations the Gawad Kalinga Foundation, Inc. has taken heed to this call by seriously considering the plight of the marginalized as their primary concern;

**WHEREAS**, Gawad Kalinga Foundation, Inc. started out as a mere spirited initiative of the Couples for Christ five years ago founded on a vision of a new Philippines with no more slums;

**WHEREAS**, Gawad Kalinga Foundation, Inc. which was formally launched on October 4, 2003, is a Philippine-based movement that envisions building 700,000 homes in 7000 communities in 7 years, with October 2010 as the target date for delivery;

**WHEREAS**, Gawad Kalinga has embarked on various programs for the realization of its set goal;

**WHEREAS**, the Foundation established its Shelter and Site Development Program (TATAG) to build colorful, durable and secure homes for the poorest of the poor, including the building of other physical structures such as pathways and drainage systems, water and toilet facilities, schools, livelihood centers, multi-purpose hall, clinics, basketball courts and libraries;

**WHEREAS**, Gawad Kalinga has likewise set up its Education Program (SIBOL) which provides value based education for pre-school children, aged 3 to 6 years old, and support program for street children of elementary age, from 7 to 13 years old;

**WHEREAS**, the Foundation has also adopted a Health Program (LUSOG) for community health care and Livelihood Program (GAWAD KABUHAYAN) to provide a start-up capital and materials for microfinance and micro-enterprise;

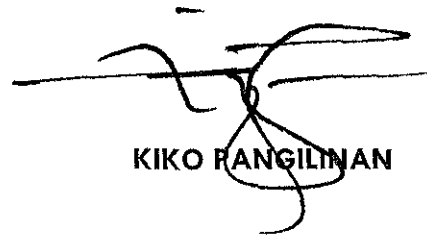
**WHEREAS**, the Foundation also established a Community Empowerment Program by setting up Kapitbahayan Neighborhood Association for every Gawad Kalinga community to inculcate stewardship and ensure accountability, cooperation and unity within the community;

**WHEREAS**, through its efforts, along with host of partners from different sectors of society, local government units, civic organizations, schools, parishes, and other individuals or groups equally concerned, GK has already built 11,442 homes in 467 communities with even more being built everyday;

**WHEREAS**, owing to their paramount contribution to the improvement of the plight of the underprivileged sector of our society, it is but fitting to laud the Gawad Kalinga for their efforts in delivering the poor from indigence;

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, to commend the Gawad Kalinga Foundation, Inc. on the celebration of its second anniversary on October 04, 2005 for their unwavering support to the country in providing for alternative solution to the problem of poverty.

Adopted,



KIKO RANGILINAN