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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING JOHN LLOYD CRUZ FOR WINNING THE PRESTIGIOUS BOCCALINO D'ORO PRIZE FOR BEST ACTOR AT THE 76TH LOCARNO FILM FESTIVAL IN SWITZERLAND

WHEREAS, the Senate honors and commends the monumental achievement of Filipino citizens for demonstrating their noteworthy talent and unyielding efforts in the world stage, bringing home honor, glory, and pride to our country;

WHEREAS, John Lloyd Cruz bagged another Best Actor award for winning the esteemed Boccalino d'Oro prize (Golden Jug Award) at the recently concluded 76th Locarno International Film Festival held in Switzerland;

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned accomplishment of Cruz on the global stage signifies the skill, dedication, and determination of Filipino artists in the domains of acting and producing exceptional films;

WHEREAS, Cruz was recognized for his lead role in Lav Diaz's *Essential Truths of The Lake*. The award was given out by the festival's Independent Critics Jury.;

WHEREAS, the "King of Contemporary Cinema" of the Philippines, Cruz in the film, portrays the character of Lieutenant Hermes Papauran, the number one police investigator probing a 15-year-old case around "a volcanic ash laden, mysterious impenetrable lake";

WHEREAS, the aforementioned film is the country's entry and the only Southeast Asian film in Locarno's Concorso Internazionale this year; **WHEREAS,** Cruz is the second Filipino recipient of the Boccalino d'Oro prize together with Hazel Orencio who won the said award in 2014 representing the film, "Mula sa Kung Ano Ang Noon (From What is Before)" which was also directed by Lav Diaz.

NOW, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to commend and recognize John Lloyd Cruz for winning the prestigious Boccalino d'Oro prize for Best Actor at the 76th Locarno Film Festival in Switzerland.

Adopted,

MANUEL "LITO" M. L Senator