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INTRODUCED BY SEN. JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING DR. CHRISTOPHER M. GUERRERO FOR BEING ONE OF THE RECIPIENTS OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP AWARDS

WHEREAS, the American Medical Association (AMA) is the largest physicians' group in the United States of America which seeks "to promote the art and science of medicine and the betterment of public health";

WHEREAS, the philanthropic arm of AMA, the AMA Foundation "works to advance the health care of America and the medical profession" by supporting meaningful programs in medical education, public health and research;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the exceptional efforts of medical students, residents and fellows, physicians and health care organizations that "go beyond the call of duty to provide patient care, train future physicians, and advance the field of medicine", AMA Foundation, in association with the Pfizer Medical Humanities Initiative, annually presents several Excellence in Medicine Awards;

WHEREAS, one of the Excellence in Medicine Awards bestowed is the Leadership Awards which is accorded to medical practitioners "who exemplify the highest values of altruism, compassion, leadership and dedication to patient care" and is considered the equivalent of the US medical excellence award given to outstanding medical practitioners from around the world;

WHEREAS, this year, fifty (50) medical practitioners in the United States will receive the Leadership Awards;

WHEREAS, one of this year's recipients of the Leadership Awards is Dr. Christopher M. Guerrero, a US-based medical practitioner and a native of Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya;

WHEREAS, Dr. Guerrero will be the first Filipino-American to receive the award;

WHEREAS, the award rightfully fits the Filipino doctor who has been spearheading yearly medical outreach projects in far flung and depressed areas in the Philippines since 1997;

WHEREAS, according to a news article, "Guerrero was cited for his display of strong non-clinical leadership skills in advocacy, community service, public health and education";

WHEREAS, a true achiever and servant to the people and the profession, Dr. Guerrero has also been a recipient of the 2006 Medicine Award from the Chicago-Midwest Filipino-American Community and a Faculty-Mentorship Award on student leadership from the University of Illinois' College of Medicine in April 2007:

WHEREAS, Dr. Guerrero and the other recipients will be conferred the AMA's highest honor during awarding and recognition rites at the Grand Hyatt in Washington D.C. on March 31;

WHEREAS, Dr. Guerrero serves as a triumph of the nation and an inspiration to other Filipino medical practitioners in the country and abroad to continue their selfless and relentless service to the people and dedication to the practice of their profession;

WHEREAS, the recognition given to Dr. Guerrero is the pride and honor of the whole Filipino nation and a challenge to the government to strengthen its appreciation, support and assistance to the people in the health care industry;

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to congratulate Dr. Christopher M. Guerrero for being one of the recipients of the American Medical Association Foundation Leadership Awards.

Adopted,

JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

Senator