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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING MR. JOEY QUINTO FOR BEING THE RECIPIENT OF THE AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM DURING THE FOURTH ANNUAL ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE AWARDS IN CELEBRATION OF THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN (APIA) HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, in observance of this year's Asian Pacific Islander American (APIA) Heritage Month, the California State Assembly adopted on May 12, 2008 Assembly Concurrent Resolution (ACR) 135;

WHEREAS, ACR 135 "commends Asian and Pacific Islander Americans for their notable accomplishments and outstanding service to the state" as part of its recognition of APIAs as "an important part of California's diverse tapestry of cultures and ideas" and who "have contributed greatly to California's economic success, rural growth, and urban development";

WHEREAS, in relation to this, the Assembly also held a special floor ceremony for the Fourth Annual Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Awards which were presented to prominent APIs who excelled in various fields including arts and entertainment, medicine, business, civil rights, community service, and journalism;

WHEREAS, one of the six (6) honorees is Mr. Joey Quinto, a Filipino born and educated in the Philippines, who was given the Award for Excellence in Journalism;

WHEREAS, Mr. Quinto is the publisher of the California Journal for Filipino Americans, a weekly newspaper in Toronto which provides news about the Philippines, as well as local news, consumer and business news, and community events;

WHEREAS, the California Journal for Filipino Americans under the espousal of Mr. Quinto serves as an important instrument for information dissemination that made it gain the recognition of various organizations when it was awarded the Media Advocate of the Year by the U.S. Small Business

Administration in 1996 and the Minority Media Award for journalistic excellence in the ethnic community by the Los Angeles Minority Business Opportunity Committee;

WHEREAS, Mr. Quinto has also received distinctions in the past, including the Star Suppliers of the Year of the Southern California Regional Purchasing Council in 1999 and a leadership award from the Filipino American Chamber of Commerce based in Los Angeles;

WHEREAS, a true leader and a dedicated businessman, Mr. Quinto was the Chair of the California Small Business Board and an elected delegate to the White House Conference on Small Business;

WHEREAS, indeed, the contributions of the Filipinos as part of the five million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans in California that represent over 14 percent of the state's population is immeasurable and deserves due recognition;

WHEREAS, the leadership, excellence and commitment of Mr. Quinto serves as an epitome of Filipino distinction and an inspiration for our countrymen in different fields, not only in California, but in various parts of the world;

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to commend Mr. Joey Quinto for being the recipient of the Award for Excellence in Journalism during the Fourth Annual Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Awards in celebration of the Asian Pacific Islander American (APIA) Heritage Month.

Adopted,


JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA
Senator