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## RESOLUTION No. 113

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING "THE OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN" (TOYM) OF THE PHILIPPINES 2015 HONORED BY THE JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL – PHILIPPINES, INC., TOYM FOUNDATION, INC., AND GERRY ROXAS FOUNDATION, INC.

Whereas, "The Outstanding Young Men" (TOYM) Awards, an annual project organized and presented by the Junior Chamber International – Philippines otherwise known as the Philippine Jaycees, the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and the TOYM Foundation, Inc., since 1959, seek to recognize young men and women whose selfless dedication to their profession and fields of endeavor contributed significantly to Philippine growth thereby benefitting the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, to receive the esteemed TOYM Award, the Junior Chamber International – Philippines chose ten (10) exceptional individuals from various fields of expertise, who best personify this year's theme: "Building Our Nation for Global Competitiveness";

Whereas, an advocate of genuine tax reform, **Raymond A. Abrea** helps educate politicians, celebrities, entrepreneurs and even lawyers in tax matters, and offers strategies for small businesses to achieve their bottomline while paying appropriate taxes;

Whereas, 37-year old Engr. Jose Ramon P. Aliling is one of the most trusted, professional, and sought-after Construction Managers in the country and whose company is the first in the Philippines to have triple ISO accreditation, covering Management System, Environment and Occupational Health and Safety;

Whereas, Michael Barney R. Almazar, head of the monthly free legal aid clinic at the Philippine Embassy and Consulate in the United Arab Emirates, has devoted his practice to protect our migrant workers in the Middle East where his practical approach to assisting distressed Overseas Filipino Workers is being used as the pilot model in protecting the rights of more than 3 million Filipinos in the Arab region;

WHEREAS, Dr. Goeffrey Bryan Chua, a world-class scientist and educator, and presently a tenure-track assistant professor in the Nanyang Business School (Nanyang Technological University) in Singapore, has been teaching for fifteen years and has consistently received high teaching evaluations, and has been designing with a team of experts strategies to coordinate agencies and improve logistics during disasters in Asia:

Whereas, at a very young age, multimedia journalist and documentary filmmaker Patricia C. Evangelista has already six (6) international and nine (9) local awards recognizing her works that focused on human rights, conflict, disaster, development and public interest issues;

Whereas, respected pianist, composer and musical director Sofronio P. Fortich Jr. manages a career spanning two countries – an active figure in the local theater scene in Manila, and the musical director of Hong Kong Disneyland, holding high the banner for Filipinos who work to bring happiness to millions of visitors of said park;

Whereas, with numerous awards up his sleeves such as Asia's Most Influential Digital Media Professionals, Digital Marketer of the Year, Digital Leader of the Future Award, Young Market Masters Award in Online Marketing, Certified Entrepreneur Title by the Canadian Institute of Entrepreneurship and the first recipient of the SPi Global Young Leadership Award in the Asia CEO Awards, Donald Patrick L. Lim, founder of digital marketing in the Philippines, is cited for his leadership in digitizing the Philippine business industry,

Whereas, technology entrepreneur Nico Jose S. Nolledo traces his humble beginnings as an assistant manager at a fastfood chain before pursuing entrepreneurship and building Southeast Asia's largest listed consumer technology company, Xurpas Inc., which is now trading at over three times its 2014 IPO price, valuing his 26-percent stake at about P6.3 billion;

Whereas, University of the Philippines College of Pharmacy Associate Professor Roderick L. Salenga has devoted his life's work to improving the pharmacy practice in the country, such that during his term as chairman of the Department of Pharmacy in the state university, he was able to introduce breakthrough academic models aimed at enhancing the training of pharmacy students;

Whereas, accomplished entrepreneur Rogelio B. Santos Jr. has been significantly raising the bar in business by merging pioneering technologies together with social enterprises such as his Amylex company where they undertake nano-molecular research and clinical studies in the field of Alzheimer's disease, and the Butterfly House, a nongovernment organization whose product is specifically designed to meet the needs of internally displaced people;

WHEREAS, this year's awardees join the ranks of outstanding Filipinos who have been honored by the Junior Chamber International – Philippines throughout the past 56 years;

WHEREAS the Philippine Senate proudly joins the Junior Chamber International – Philippines, Inc., TOYM Foundation, Inc. and the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., in congratulating and commending the Filipinos who have proven their mettle for service of the greater good through The Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) of the Philippines 2015: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, That the Senate of the Philippines congratulate and commend "The Outstanding Young Men" (TOYM) of the Philippines 2015 honored by the Junior Chamber International — Philippines, Inc., TOYM Foundation, Inc., and the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., namely:

- 1. Raymond A. Abrea for Accounting and Finance
- 2. Engr. Jose Ramon P. Aliling for Civil Engineering
- 3. Michael Barney R. Almazar for Law/Legal Aid
- 4. Geoffrey Bryan A. Chua for Education
- 5. Patricia C. Evangelista for Journalism
- 6. Safronio P. Fortich Jr. for Arts in Music
- 7. Donald Patrick L. Lim for Community Development
- 8. Nico Jose S. Nolledo for Business
- 9. Roderick L. Salenga for Public Health 10. Rogelio B. Santos Jr. for Social Entrepreneurship

Adopted,

FRANKLIN M. DRILON President of the Senate

This Resolution was unanimously adopted by the Senate on January 26, 2016.

OSCAR G. YABES

Secretary of the Senate