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RESOLUTION No. 124

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING
THE MANILA SYMPHONY JUNIOR ORCHESTRA
FOR WINNING THE FIRST PRIZE WITH
OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AT THE 12TH SUMMA
CUM LAUDE FESTIVAL HELD IN VIENNA,
AUSTRIA FROM JULY 6 TO 11, 2018

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates the preservation and promotion of Arts "to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development";

WHEREAS, held in July of every year in Vienna, Austria, the Summa Cum Laude Festival is a prestigious international music festival which brings together youth choirs, orchestras, and symphonic bands from around the world;

WHEREAS, youth choirs, orchestras and symphonic bands participating in the Summa Cum Laude Festival may elect to compete with their peers in the "SCL Competition" or join in the non-competitive "SCL Celebration";

WHEREAS, the Manila Symphony Junior Orchestra (MSJO) sent a delegation of 84 participants, composed of 47 young musicians aged 10 to 23, 3 teachers, and 34 chaperones, to participate in the String Orchestra Competition of this year's Summa Cum Laude Festival held last July 6 to 11, 2018;

WHEREAS, the MSJO is the youth orchestra of the Manila Symphony Orchestra Foundation, and is "...composed of the most advanced students of the MSO Music Academy";

WHEREAS, after their 25-minute set comprised of five songs, the MSJO won the First Prize (with Outstanding Success) joint with Israel's Jerusalem Conservatory Hassadna String Orchestra;

WHEREAS, the MSJO bested Canada's Montreal Suzuki String Orchestra which garnered third place, and the Nanyang Girls' High School String Orchestra and the UWCSEA String Orchestra, both from Singapore, which respectively garnered fourth and fifth place;

WHEREAS, with their triumph in the 12th Summa Cum Laude Festival, the MSJO has brought honor, pride and joy to the Philippines, and has again demonstrated that Filipinos are more than capable of matching up against the world's best;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines has an established tradition of recognizing outstanding Filipino individuals and organizations that have brought pride and honor to the country by excelling in their respective fields;

WHEREAS, it is but fitting that the Senate commend and congratulate the MSJO for their triumph and for bringing pride and glory to the country: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To congratulate and commend the Manila Symphony Junior Orchestra for winning the First Prize with Outstanding Success at the 12th Summa Cum Laude Festival held in Vienna, Austria from July 6 to 11, 2018.

Adopted,



VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 28, 2018.



MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA
Secretary of the Senate