

Republic of the Philippines
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Senate

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RESOLUTION No. 141

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING
THE 2023 GALING POOK AWARDEES AND
GALING POOK CITIZENSHIP AWARDEES FOR
BEING MODELS OF COMMUNITY-DRIVEN
PROGRESS

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has consistently recognized outstanding Filipinos who bring honor and glory to the nation through their remarkable feats and prestigious awards;

WHEREAS, the Galing Pook Foundation is a leading institution that promotes innovation, sustainability, citizen empowerment, and excellence at the local level, and provides local government units (LGUs) an environment that enables knowledge upgrade and exchange in best practices, geared towards further community development;

WHEREAS, the Galing Pook Awards, a joint initiative of the Galing Pook Foundation, Department of the Interior and Local Government – Local Government Academy, SM Prime Holdings, Inc., and good governance advocates, was launched in 1993 to recognize the best in local government practices and facilitate mainstreaming to more communities in the country. For three decades, the Awards has already recognized over 354 LGU programs from at least 200 LGUs in the country;

WHEREAS, the Galing Pook Citizenship Awards which started in 2015, meanwhile, commends civil society organizations, non-government organizations, social enterprises, or private entities that endeavor “to build safe, sustainable, and smart communities”;

WHEREAS, for 2023, the Awards highlighted innovative and promising programs on food security, environment, climate change, health, and social welfare, that aim to improve the lives of their constituents;

WHEREAS, the 2023 awardees were selected from 166 applications nationwide. The finalists were recognized for programs that are the “epitome of true devolution, excellence, innovation, and resourcefulness”;

WHEREAS, the ten Galing Pook Awardees for 2023 are:

1. 1Bataan Seal of Healthy Barangay (Bataan Province);
2. Fish from the Mountains: Bayawan Inland Aquaculture (Bayawan City, Negros Oriental);

3. Happy Home: Integrated and Holistic Rebel Reintegration Program (Davao Oriental Province);

4. Seal of Health Governance: Local Health Leadership Approach as Response from Pandemic to Super Typhoon (Del Carmen, Surigao del Norte);

5. Shari'a Atas Bitiara: The Comprehensive and Balanced Conflict Resolution Mechanism for Muslims (General Santos City);

6. Zero to Limpyo Iloilo: Movement for a Province-wide Zero Open Defecation (Iloilo Province);

7. Virtual Queuing Management System: An Online Platform for Queuing and Appointments for Health Centers (Makati City);

8. Pasig City Prehospital Care and Emergency Medical Services Medical Control Program (Pasig City);

9. iRISE UP: Intelligent, Resilient, and Integrated Systems for the Urban Population (Quezon City); and

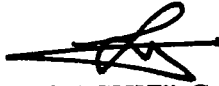
10. Barangay Taloot Community-Based Integrated Approach (Barangay Taloot, Argao, Cebu);

WHEREAS, the five Galing Pook Citizenship Awardees for 2023 are the Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc., Lamac Multi-Purpose Cooperative, Negrense Volunteers for Change (NVC) Foundation, Health Futures Foundation, Inc., and Espoir School of Life;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines proudly joins the Department of the Interior and Local Government – Local Government Academy, SM Prime Holdings, Inc., and the Galing Pook Foundation in congratulating and commending the 2023 Galing Pook Awardees and the Galing Pook Citizenship Awardees, for building platforms of crucial reforms and innovation in local governance, and for being the leading force of community transformation: Now, therefore, be it

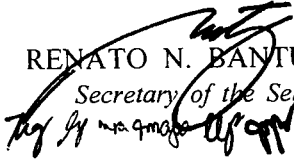
Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To recognize and commend the 2023 Galing Pook awardees and Galing Pook Citizenship awardees for being models of community-driven progress.

Adopted,



FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 4, 2024.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.
Secretary of the Senate

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