

Republic of the Philippines  
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Senate

Manila City

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RESOLUTION NO. 89

RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING  
THE DE LA SALLE SANTIAGO ZOBEL STRINGS  
ENSEMBLE FOR WINNING THE GOLD AWARD AT  
THE 2023 BRATISLAVA YOUTH MUSICAL FESTIVAL  
COMPETITION AND 4<sup>TH</sup> PLACE AT THE 15<sup>TH</sup>  
SUMMA CUM LAUDE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH  
MUSIC FESTIVAL HELD IN EUROPE

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has on several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for their commendable performances that bring pride and joy to the country, especially in the field of music;

WHEREAS, the De La Salle Zobel (DLSZ) Strings Ensemble competed in two international youth music festivals held in Europe last July 2023 in which they won multiple awards;

WHEREAS, last July 1, the group received an outstanding rating and landed 4<sup>th</sup> place at the 15<sup>th</sup> Summa Cum Laude (SCL) International Youth Music Festival which took place at the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna, Austria;

WHEREAS, the SCL International Youth Music Festival is a world-renowned international celebration for young musicians that features different musical ensembles from Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Italy, Puerto Rico, Singapore, Taipei, Norway, Netherlands, Spain, and the USA;

WHEREAS, last July 7, the DLSZ Strings also won the Gold Award at the 2023 Bratislava Youth Music Festival Competition at the Slovak Radio Concert Hall in Slovakia;

WHEREAS, the DLSZ Strings is composed of the following high school students who are enrolled in the Special Music program to develop their musical skills:

Aquino, Carlos Gabriel Ginete  
Arceo, Juan Jaime Javier Alvero  
Arcillas, Justine Cleo Guerrero  
Ascalon, Armina Sophia Culata  
Ascalon, Cesar Gervasio Culata  
Bauyon, Elizabeth Selibio  
Calara, Himaya Almogino  
Catabian, Nathan Benedict Ocampo  
Corpuz, Adeline Renee Dayot  
Cruz, Benica Sophia Ferrer  
Espiritu, Sage Martina Arguelles  
Galang, Jared Kenneth Caracta  
Go, Frances Karol Llanes  
Grageda, Cara Sabine Duran  
Ilano, Gael Azure Maramag  
Infante, Charles Sebastian Velarde  
Javier, Meithzan Medina

Lirio, Daniela Ongpin  
 Mindanao, John Dave Galicia  
 Mindanao, Juliene Daiz Galicia  
 Paris, Andre Habulan  
 Pioquinto, Kirsten Antoinette Merilleno  
 Pulgar, Mayo Iñigo Madrid  
 Reyes, Joaquin Gabriel David  
 Santos, Ma. Josefa Carmela Gan  
 Tamayo, Antonio Jesus Corral  
 Tomas, Maxine Antoinette Corong  
 Timbang, Luis Peter Emmanuel De Leon  
 Torres, Ysabella Sage Malonzo  
 Valero, Anna Kristina De Leon  
 Vito, Annika Marie Cruz  
 Gonzalez, Juan Franco Peñalba  
 Calubayan, Richard Fernandez  
 Natividad, Paul Benjamin Rodriguez;

WHEREAS, the group was headed by Strings Conductor Mr. Leopoldo Sumera Jr., accompanied by Strings Teacher Ms. Shelly Isaga, Music Unit Head Mr. Daryl Galicia, and the Cultural Affairs Office Head Ms. Lynette Feliciano;

WHEREAS, the DLSZ Strings' participation in these international events not only highlights the hard work and dedication of the students but also demonstrates Filipino world-class talent and musical excellence: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To commend and congratulate the De La Salle Santiago Zobel Strings Ensemble for winning the gold award at the 2023 Bratislava Youth Musical Festival Competition and 4<sup>th</sup> place at the 15<sup>th</sup> Summa Cum Laude International Youth Music Festival in Europe.*


Adopted,



JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

*President of the Senate*

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on  
September 18, 2023.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.  
*Secretary of the Senate*

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