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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO FILMMAKER PEPE DIOKNO FOR WINNING THE ORIZZONTI PRIZE AND THE LION OF THE FUTURE - "LUIGI DE LAURENTIIS" VENICE AWARD FOR A DEBUT FILM AT THE 66TH MOSTRA INTERNAZIONALE D'ARTE CINEMATOGRAFICA DI VENEZIA (VENICE FILM FESTIVAL) HELD ON 2-12 SEPTEMBER 2009 AT LIDO, VENICE, ITALY FOR THE MOVIE "ENGKWENTRO".

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for their astonishing feat of bringing home pride and glory to the country by becoming champions in the international scene;

WHEREAS, Filipino filmmaker Pepe Diokno made the country proud when he won the Orizzonti Prize (New Horizons) and the Lion of the Future - "Luigi De Laurentiis" Venice Award for a Debut Film in the recently concluded 66th *Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica di Venezia* (Venice Film Festival) at Lido, Venice, Italy held on 2-12 September 2009 for the movie entitled *Engkwentro*, besting 24 other films from Vietnam, Egypt, Peru, Russia, Tunisia, Italy, China, Germany and the United States, among others;

WHEREAS, the *Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica di Venezia* is the oldest and one of the world's most prestigious film festivals;

WHEREAS, the movie "*Engkwentro*" have made our country proud and have shown to the world the spirit of Filipino ingenuity and excellence;

WHEREAS, this achievement by our Filipino filmmaker deserves to be commended for the honor and recognition he has brought to our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend Filipino filmmaker Pepe Diokno for winning the Orizzonti Prize and the Lion of the Future - "Luigi De Laurentiis" Venice Award for a Debut Film at the 66th *Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica di Venezia* (Venice Film Festival) held on 2-12 September 2009 at Lido, Venice, Italy for the movie "*Engkwentro*".

Adopted,


MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator