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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO ACTIVIST ILLAC ANGELO DIAZ FOR RANKING NUMBER 10 IN CNNGO'S *THE HOT LIST: 135 PEOPLE TO WATCH* FOR HIS PROACTIVE SOLUTIONS TO CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOR PUTTING TOGETHER THE DESIGNER VILLAGE CHALLENGE.

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 excelling in their respective fields of endeavor;

WHEREAS, 37-year old Filipino activist Illac Angelo Diaz, was ranked number 10 in CNNGo's *The Hot List: 135 People To Watch* as part of CNN International's division multi-city guide site program in acknowledging people who make an impact in their world;

WHEREAS, CNNGo is a separate division of CNN that serves as a travel, lifestyle, and entertainment guide by insiders for insiders to initially six of the most amazing places not only in Asia, but the world: Bangkok, Hong Kong, Mumbai, Shanghai, Singapore and Tokyo, by tapping into not only swarms of locally-based professional editors and contributors, but also bloggers, opinion makers, other travel or lifestyle sources and the very people that form the soul of a city;

WHEREAS, *The Hot List: 135 People To Watch* is a recognition which spotlights individuals who are unique, fascinating and, most important of all, contribute to our vibrant, emerging world;

WHEREAS, Illac Angelo Diaz is a model, Harvard and MIT graduate, and social entrepreneur who has launched the largest mass media campaign on climate change the Philippines has seen;

WHEREAS, Illac Angelo Diaz founded Pier One, an organization that has provided transient housing and job assistance to over 200,000 workers in the maritime industry, and My Shelter Foundation, an organization that has introduced dome-shaped houses designed for optimal ventilation and reduced power consumption and, more importantly, combat homelessness;

WHEREAS, in 2008, Illac Angelo Diaz was chosen as one of the World Economic Forum Young Global Leaders, alongside actor and advocate Leonardo Di Caprio, CNN news anchor Anderson Cooper, tennis superstar Steffi Graf, King of Bhutan Jigme Wangchuck, Queen of Morocco Lala Salma, Harvard Law School director Daniel Shapiro, president and CEO of Neiman Marcus Group, Brendan Hoffman, and many others;

WHEREAS, this outstanding achievement by our Filipino activist 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 activist Ilac Angelo Diaz for ranking number 10 in CNNGo's *The Hot List: 135 People To Watch* for his proactive solutions to climate change and for putting together the designer village challenge.

Adopted,


MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator