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## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING JESSICA ELIZABETH BUGAY SANCHEZ FOR PLACING SECOND IN THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED AMERICAN IDOL (AI) SEASON 11 HELD IN LOS ANGELES, UNITED STATES, A PERSONAL FEAT THAT CELEBRATES FILIPINO ANCESTRY AND ECHOES NATIONAL PRIDE

Whereas, American Idol (AI) is a reality television singing competition based in the United States which began airing in June 2002;

Whereas, Jessica Elizabeth Bugay Sanchez was born on August 4, 1995 in Chula Vista, California to a Filipino mother (from Samal, Bataan) and Mexican father;

Whereas, Sanchez started singing at the age of 2 and aspires to be a mainstream singer that can "belt but sing upbeat songs"; 1

Whereas, prior to joining AI, she competed in the first season of America's Got Talent, another reality television singing contest, at the age of 11;

Whereas, Sanchez auditioned for Season 11 of AI on July 8, 2011 in San Diego, California, where she received high praises from judges Steven Tyler, Jennifer Lopez and Randy Jackson;

Whereas, she advanced to the semi-finals until she earned a spot in the Top 13;

Whereas, she was almost eliminated in the Top 7's first week had it not for the "Judges' Save" which was introduced in the eighth season, making her the first female and fourth finalist in the show's history to be spared from elimination;

Whereas, she became the lone female contestant in the Top 3 after edging out fellow AI alum Hollie Cavanagh;

<sup>1</sup> http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jessica\_Sanchez

Whereas, Philipp Phillips, from Leesburg, Georgia, was declared the winner: Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to congratulate and commend Jessica Elizabeth Bugay Sanchez for placing second in the recently concluded American Idol (AI) Season 11 held in Los Angeles, United States, a personal feat that celebrates Filipino ancestry and echoes national pride.

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