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HONORING AND COMMENDING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2017
METROBANK FOUNDATION OUTSTANDING FILIPINOS**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in numerous occasions paid tribute to exemplary Filipinos for their outstanding contributions to the country;

WHEREAS, the Metrobank Foundation seeks to highlight the contributions and inspiring stories of teachers, soldiers, and police officers who passionately share their wisdom, skills, and knowledge in their respective fields by exceeding expectations and providing exceptional public service;

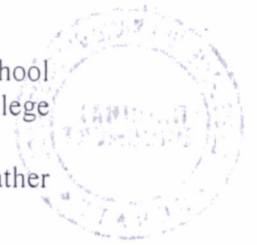
WHEREAS, Mrs. Jennifer M. Rojo, Master Teacher II at Neogan Elementary School, is Tagaytay's Visionary Science Teacher. Her achievements and contributions include:

- Author of Joyful Enrichment in Science Vocabulary (JenSci-Voc) which is a compilation of science vocabulary worksheets in the form of puzzles and games
- Developed the Mobile Sci-Hub/Lab which is a house-inspired instruction material meant to simplify into visuals hard-to-grasp scientific concepts
- Writer of instructional materials and lesson plan guides for Grade 3 and Grade 4 Science which eventually became the main reference produced by the Department of Education (DepEd)
- Serves as a K to 12 National Trainer, lecturing teachers regarding the proper use of materials and implementation of the curriculum
- Recipient of the 2016 Regional Gawad Patnugot Outstanding Elementary Teacher Award from DepEd Region IVA
- Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from the Philippine Normal University
- Masters in Education Major in Administration and Supervision from the Philippine Christian University

WHEREAS, Mr. Edgar T. Elago, Teacher III at Magallanes National High School, is Agusan del Norte's Culture Coach. His achievements and contributions include:

- Authored a comprehensive action research on cultural awareness under the National Commission for the Culture and the Arts (NCCA) scholarship
- Resource speaker in various national trainings and seminars which help other teachers integrate lessons in culture and arts into different subject areas

- Developed 'Project Scholar' in 2011, an initiative that aims to help high school graduates who come from financially challenged households to continue their college education
- Established Art Shop, a social enterprise that rents out Filipino costumes to gather additional funding for scholars
- Employs his scholars on a "cash for work" arrangement
- Benefitted over 60 scholars ranging from indigenous peoples, out of school youth, former drug addicts, and children in conflict with law
- Recipient of the 2017 National Outstanding Teacher in Performing Arts (National Level) from the Philippine Arts and Culture Educators Society (PACES)
- Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Education from the Caraga State University
- Master of Arts in Education Major in Educational Management from the Saint Joseph Institute of Technology
- Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education from the Xavier University, Ateneo de Cagayan



WHEREAS, Mrs. Esperanza C. Cabrera, PH.D., Professor 10 and University Fellow at De La Salle University Manila, is Manila's Master Microbiologist. Her achievements and contributions include:

- Instrumental in the institution of the BS Human Biology program and the improvement of the Microbiology and Cell and Molecular Biology courses offered in the Biology Department at the De La Salle University (DLSU)
- Led the development of fully functional facilities for budding and practicing microbiologists
- Major contributor to the continuous upgrading of skills and competence in microbiology
- Resource speaker and organizer in various trainings, workshops, scientific for a and symposia nationwide
- Active involvement in the Philippine Society for Microbiology (PSM) and the American Society for Microbiology (ASM)
- Involved in the Philippine Academy of Microbiology (PAM), the certifying arm of PSM
- Conducted a study in the Manila City Jail and National Bilibid Prison on the outbreak of boils or 'pigsá' among the inmates
- Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology from the University of Santo Tomas, Summa Cum Laude
- PhD in Biological Science from the University of Santo Tomas
- Master of Science degree in Public Health Major in Medical Microbiology from the University of the Philippines College of Public Health

WHEREAS, Mr. Alonzo A. Gabriel, PH.D., Professor and University Scientist at University of the Philippines Diliman, is Diliman's Food Security Advocate. His achievements and contributions include:

- Food Science and Technology Professor at the University of the Philippines Diliman
- Establishment of the country's first and only Laboratory of Food Microbiology and Hygiene based at UP's College of Home Economics (CHE)
- Published various research papers internationally
- Pioneered novel technologies such as the use of plasma and ultraviolet radiation in killing bacteria in food without destroying the nutrients

- Member of the Philippine Food Defense Core Technical Working Group (TWG) convened by the Department of Agriculture and the United States Food and Drug Administration in 2011
- Member of the five-man TWG that authored the Philippine National Food Defense Standard
- Developed teaching materials and conduct awareness drives and nationwide public consultations on food defense at the grassroots level
- Gawad Chanselor Para sa Natatanging Guro awardee in 2016
- Earned his undergraduate degree in Food Technology from University of the Philippines Diliman
- Master's degree in Food Science from University of the Philippines Diliman
- Ph.D. in Biofunctional Science and Technology Major in Food Microbiology and Hygiene from Hiroshima University

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Narding N. Pascual, CARAGA's lumad hero is a Squad Leader of Bravo Company of the 26th Infantry (Ever Onward) Battalion, 4th Infantry Division, Philippine Army, Talacogon, Agusan del Sur. His achievements and contributions include:

- Spearheaded a number of successful armed operations against the Communist Party of the Philippines-New People's Army-National Democratic Front (CPP-NPA-NDF) rebel units
- Recovered several firearms, rebels surrendered, military takeover of a rebel encampment, and retrieval of rebel paraphernalia and documents
- Instrumental in the realization of community development projects which benefitted the Banwaon tribes in San Luis
- Designated as the barangay's Sub-project Committee Chairperson for the construction of a primary school building
- Did the groundwork for the rural electrification project in Sitio Km. 24 in Mahagsay, San Luis when he was Patrol Base Commander of the Sta. Rita Patrol Base
- Initiated a livelihood project in the form of a falcata tree plantation covering four hectares in Mahagsay
- Working towards securing a Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) for the Banwaon communities
- Recipient of the country's second highest military award the Distinguished Conduct Star

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Elmer B. Suderio, Basilan's Soldier-Trailblazer is Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations of Joint Task Force Marawi of the 1st Infantry Division, Philippine Army, Camp Major L. Sang-an, Pulacan, Lambangan, Zamboanga Del Sur. His achievements and contributions include:

- Led a series of armed operations against the Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG) as Commander of the 3rd Scout Ranger Battalion
- As the Company Commander of the 12th Scout Ranger Company (12th SRC) in 1998 he transformed it into a disciplined and cohesive unit by developing their combat skills while implementing welfare programs to maintain high morale that led to being pronounced as the best Company of the First Scout Ranger Regiment
- Led the conceptualization of a three-unit subject for the Philippine Academy (PMA) curriculum titled MA 341 or "Unit Administration"
- Worked to provide livelihood opportunities for Moro National Liberation Front (MILF) returnees

- Recipient of the Gold Cross Medal for leading the 12th SRC against the ASG and Gawad sa Kaunlaran medal for his civic action programs

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Ricky P. Bunayog, Central Mindanao's Warrior-Peacekeeper is Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations of the 6th Infantry Division, Philippine Army, Camp Gen Siongco, Aswang, Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao. His achievements and contributions include:

- Facilitated hundreds of combat operations against the Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) and other armed groups
- Recognizes the need to pursue socio-economic and non-combat activities among which is the resolution of long-standing blood feuds in the province known colloquially as 'rido'
- Facilitated the settlement of ridos stemming from land conflicts and religious clashes in the five municipalities of Sultan Kudarat and ten municipalities of Maguindanao
- Facilitated the construction of the two Madrasah buildings and the repair of schools in Maguindanao giving better education to Muslim children
- Graduated from the Philippine Military Academy in 1993
- Master's Degree in Training and Development at the Griffith University in Australia in 2008

Master's in Public Management major in Security and Development at the Development Academy of the Philippines with a Bronze Medal for Academic Excellence

WHEREAS, PO3 Shiela May S. Pansoy, Investigator at the Women and Children Protection Desk of the Digos City Police Station in Davao del Sur is Davao del Sur's Anti-Abuse Herald. Her achievement and contributions include:

- Significant activity in the implementation of "Aksyon Agad" (Quick Response) for abused children and women in the community
- Conducted various counseling workshops on smart parenting and harmonious marriages in different barangays
- Organized the Hagonoy Junior Police, a group of students trained to serve specifically as advocates of anti-bullying and anti-gangsterism in schools, in 2015
- Recipient of the Best WCPD Investigator in both regional and provincial levels in 2016;

WHEREAS, Police Chief Inspector Rosalino P. Ibay, Jr., District Intelligence and Operations Unit Chief is Manila Police District's Finest Officer. His achievement and contributions include:

- Significant assistance in the resolution of unprecedented carnapping cases in Manila
- Developed the Manila CRAV Facebook page which served as a digital platform where stolen vehicles are posted and netizens are notified of recent developments in real time
- Authored the Barangay Management System which files and organizes personal information records of all barangay residents
- Founder and current vice-president of the Buklod ng Alyansang Nagkakaisang Anak ng Tondo or BANAT which is a non-government organization in Tondo doing humanitarian projects such as medical missions, feeding programs, and distribution of goods to residents

- Awarded as Best Provincial Chief during his stint in Davao del Norte's Regional Highway Patr; Group in 2011
- Awarded as Best Junior PCO in 2013 and 2015;

WHEREAS, Police Senior Superintendent Joel B. Doria, Ph.D., City Director at the Cebu City Police Office, Police Regional Office 7 is Cebu's Pokemon Groundbreaker. His achievements and contributions include:

- Started Oplan POKEMON in Cebu, POKEMON is an acronym which stands for in Cebuano as Pakigbatukan Og sumpoon ang Krien ug ang Epekto sa illegal nga Makadaut Og makaguba sa Nasud, which translates as Fight and Eradicate Crime and Illegal Activities that are Detrimental to the Nation. It has already conducted 30 buy-bust operations and resulted to the arrest of more than 1,700 criminals. The operation stood out because since its implementation there has not been any single reported violation nor human rights complaint against it
- Served 26 years in law enforcement and resolved numerous robbery, murder, and illegal drug cases in Pasay City
- Organized the safe and secure conduct of tourist-packed festivities such as the Sinulog Festival in Cebu

WHEREAS, by being recognized by the Metrobank Foundation, these four teachers, three soldiers, and three police officers have made our country proud and have proven the world the country's promise for greatness in the field of education, military service, and law enforcement;

WHEREAS, these achievements by the above mentioned recipients deserve to be commended for the honor and recognition they have brought to the country;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines, to honor and commend the recipients of the 2017 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Filipinos.

Adopted,


MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
Senator