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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE AWARDEES FOR THE OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN (TOYM) OF THE PHILIPPINES 2012 HONORED BY THE JUNIOR CHAMBER INTERNATIONAL-PHILIPPINES.

WHEREAS, The Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) Awards is an annual project organized and presented by the Junior Chamber International-Philippines otherwise known as the Philippine Jaycees, the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and the TOYM Foundation, Inc., since 1959:

**WHEREAS,** the TOYM Awards seek to recognize young men & women whose selfless dedication to their profession and fields of endeavor resulted to significant contributions to Philippine growth thereby benefitting the Filipino people;

**WHEREAS,** from seventy nominees, the Junior Chamber International-Philippines chose seven exceptional individuals to receive the respected TOYM Award that would best embody this year's theme, which is "Inspiring Excellence";

WHEREAS, Black Eyed Peas member Allan "apl.de.ap" Pineda leads this year's TOYM Awards for his international recognition as a contemporary musician; for his establishment of the "apl.de.ap Foundation' for communities and children in the Philippines and in the Asian region; and for his launch of the Jeepney Music, Inc., a company dedicated to providing emerging artists and DJs opportunity to collaborate with him;

WHEREAS, Azkals Vice Captain Emilio "Chieffy" Caligdong received the TOYM distinction for sports for raising the standard of excellence in Philippine football as well as for his dedication to promote the sport in grassroots communities;

WHEREAS, Rodrigo "Jiggy" Manicad Jr., a GMA News senior reporter, was cited for his contribution in broadcast journalism with his insightful, well-researched and riveting documentaries and exposés, particularly his work on the military's inability to evacuate wounded soldiers from the battlefield; the engagement of overseas Filipino workers as drug mules; and the dire situation of the people in Fuga Island, Cagayan among others;

WHEREAS, this year's only female awardee, DIWA Party-list Representative Atty. Emmeline Aglipay, was honored for her contribution to public service as she championed the protection of labor rights, and worked for the provision of free labor assistance, livelihood seminars, skills training, and medical assistance;

WHEREAS, Ivan Anthony Henares, a University of the Philippines senior lecturer and a travel blogger, was recognized for his heritage conservation work and for his advocacy using contemporary media – this was the first award in this category given by TOYM;

**WHEREAS**, decorated occupational therapist Abelardo Apollo David was chosen for his achievements in putting up centers that help people with handicap and special needs lead quality and independent lives;

WHEREAS, Dr. Warren Baticados, an associate professor at the University of the Philippines, was recognized for his revolutionary work on molecular detection of organisms causing animal diseases, and for his breakthroughs in veterinary medicine through his numerous publications in international scientific journals;

**WHEREAS,** this year's awardees will join the ranks of outstanding Filipinos who have been honored by the Junior Chamber International-Philippines throughout the past 54 years;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate proudly joins the Junior Chamber International-Philippines, Inc., the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and the TOYM Foundation, Inc. in congratulating and commending the Filipinos who have proven their mettle for service of the greater good through The Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) of the Philippines 2012;

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** that the Philippine Senate congratulates and commends the The Outstanding Young Men (TOYM) of the Philippines 2012 awardees honored by the Junior Chamber International-Philippines, Inc., the Gerry Roxas Foundation, Inc., and the TOYM Foundation, Inc., namely:

- 1. Allan "apl.de.ap" Pineda Contemporary Music
- 2. Emilio "Chieffy" Caligdong Sports
- 3. Rodrigo "Jiggy" Manicad Jr. Broadcast Journalism
- 4. Representative Emmeline Aglipay Public Service
- 5. Ivan Anthony Henares Heritage Conservation
- 6. Abelardo Apollo David Community Occupational Rehabilitation
- 7. Dr. Warren Baticados Veterinary Medicine

Adopted,

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID Senator