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SENATE
Resolution No. 22

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RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE 2022 ORDER OF NATIONAL ARTISTS AWARDEES
FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT
AND PROMOTION OF PHILIPPINE ARTS AND CULTURE.

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that "arts and letters shall enjoy the patronage of the State" and that the State shall "conserve, promote and popularize the nation's historical and cultural heritage and resources, as well as artistic creations";

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 1001, s. 1972, established the Award and Decoration of National Artist, to provide appropriate recognition and prestige to Filipinos who have distinguished themselves and made outstanding contributions to Philippine arts and letters;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 236 s. 2003, otherwise known as the Honors Code of the Philippines, raised the National Artist Award to the level of a Cultural Order, a rank, a title, and a wearable award that represents the highest national recognition given to Filipinos who have made distinct contributions in the field of arts and letters;

WHEREAS, since its first conferment in 1972, the Order of National Artists award has recognized the service to the nation and excellence in the fields of Music, Dance, Theater, Visual Arts, Literature, Film and Broadcast Arts, Fashion Design and Architecture or Allied Arts of eighty-one (81) National Artists;

WHEREAS, this year's Order of National Artists awardees, namely:

Gemino Henson Abad for Literature;
Marilou Correa Diaz-Abaya for Film and Broadcast Arts;
Fides Belza Cuyugan-Asensio for Music;
Salvacion Navera Lim-Higgins for Fashion Design;
Ricardo "Ricky" Lee for Film and Broadcast Arts;
Agnes Dakudao Locsin for Dance;

Antonio "Tony" Ocampo Mabesa for Theater and
Nora "Aunor" Cabalera Villamayor for Film and Broadcast Arts;

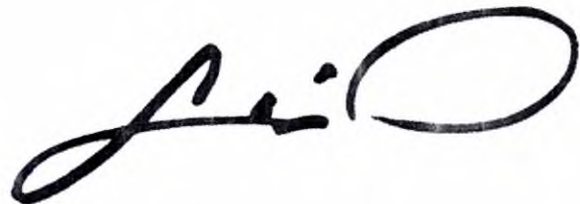
have excelled in their respective fields and disciplines, contributed to the society and have inspired and influenced generations of artists as well as the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, their outstanding achievements in Philippine arts and culture and immense contributions to the Filipino society, worthy of the praise and appreciation of the Filipino people deserves to be commended for they embody our nation's highest ideals in humanism and aesthetic expression;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it hereby resolved, To commend the newly proclaimed Order of National Artists awardees for their outstanding contributions to the development and promotion of Philippine arts and culture.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Cultural Center of the Philippines and National Commission for Culture and the Arts.

Adopted,



SEN. MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

Senator

