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## **SENATE**

P. S. Res No.  $\underline{335}$ 

## **Introduced by SEN. WIN GATCHALIAN**

## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE WINNERS OF THE 29TH ANNUAL GALING POOK AWARDS

**WHEREAS**, the Senate of the Philippines has over the years recognized the remarkable and innovative accomplishments of local government units (LGUs) which are the recipients of the very prestigious Galing Pook Awards of the Galing Pook Foundation;

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WHEREAS, the Galing Pook Foundation is a leading resource institution that recognizes, capacitates and promotes innovation, sustainability, citizen empowerment and excellence in local governance and has empowered hundreds of LGUs to develop programs and social innovations through the Galing Pook Awards, Galing Pook Academy and Galing Pook Advocacies;<sup>1</sup>

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WHEREAS, the Galing Pook Awards was launched on October 21, 1993 as a pioneering program that searches and recognizes innovative practices by LGUs. LGU Awardees are carefully chosen from a national search of local governance programs, evaluated through a multilevel rigorous screening process based on positive results and impact, promotion of people's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Galing Pook Foundation. <a href="https://galingpook.org/">https://galingpook.org/</a>. Last accessed on Nov. 28, 2022.

participation and empowerment, innovation, transferability and sustainability, and efficiency of program service delivery;<sup>2</sup>

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**WHEREAS**, for the past 28 years, more than 319 programs from at least 180 local governments/local government alliances were awarded the Galing Pook, which has inspired other local governments to introduce innovative practices and provide a fertile environment for the replication of successful reforms;<sup>3</sup>

**WHEREAS**, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., during the awarding ceremonies held at the Ceremonial Hall of Malacanang Palace on November 22, 2022, recognized the active response and effective leadership of the 29<sup>th</sup> Galing Pook Awardees, and stressed on how a strong collaboration between the public and private sector can lead to more meaningful and successful programs that truly benefit the Filipino people;<sup>4</sup>

**WHEREAS**, for the 2022 Galing Pook Awards, the Galing Pook Foundation partnered with SM Prime Holdings Inc., the DILG-Local Government Academy, Cebu Pacific and Airspeed in selecting the ten (10) winners which were chosen from 18 finalists and a record field of 196 applications from different LGUs in the country<sup>5</sup>;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, to congratulate and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Galing Pook Foundation. <a href="https://galingpook.org/what-we-do/awards/galing-pook-awards/">https://galingpook.org/what-we-do/awards/galing-pook-awards/</a>. Last accessed on Nov. 28, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> PIA. <a href="https://pia.gov.ph/press-releases/2022/11/22/pbbm-lauds-lgus-for-effective-leadership-cites-galing-pook-for-promoting-innovation">https://pia.gov.ph/press-releases/2022/11/22/pbbm-lauds-lgus-for-effective-leadership-cites-galing-pook-for-promoting-innovation</a>. Last accessed on Nov. 28, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Manila Times. <a href="https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/11/26/supplements/galing-pook-foundation-recognizes-outstanding-local-government-programs-for-2022/1867895">https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/11/26/supplements/galing-pook-foundation-recognizes-outstanding-local-government-programs-for-2022/1867895</a>. Last accessed on Nov. 28, 2022.

1	commend the 29 <sup>th</sup> Galing Pook Awards Ten (10) Outstanding Programs <sup>6</sup> ,
2	namely:
3	<ol> <li>The Green Wall of Alcala (Alcala, Cagayan);</li> </ol>
4	2. Advancing and Sustaining Good Governance and Community Actions
5	towards Resiliency and Empowerment (Basilan Province);
6	3. Bataan Public-Private Partnership Programs (Bataan Province);
7	4. Balik-Biñan Project: Tourism Development through Heritage
8	Conservation (Biñan City, Laguna);
9	5. From Black to Green: Fishponds, Eco- Tourism and Full Employment
10	(Brgy. Cayabu, Tanay, Rizal);
11	6. Trekking to Unlock Community Ailments and Difficulties (TUCAD)
12	(Goa, Camarines Sur);
13	7. "I-BIKE" A Program Promoting the Development of the Iloilo City Bike
14	Culture (Iloilo City);
15	8. Yaru: A Whole-of-Community Approach Towards Disaster
16	Management (Itbayat, Batanes);
17	<ol><li>Libertad Fish Forever Savings Club (Libertad, Antique); and</li></ol>
18	10. Basta Piddigueño, AgriHenyo: Consolidated Farm Production System
19	(Piddig, Ilocos Norte).
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21	RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be given to the
22	above-named Awardees.
	Adopted,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> PIA. <a href="https://pia.gov.ph/press-releases/2022/11/22/pbbm-lauds-lgus-for-effective-leadership-cites-galing-pook-for-promoting-innovation">https://pia.gov.ph/press-releases/2022/11/22/pbbm-lauds-lgus-for-effective-leadership-cites-galing-pook-for-promoting-innovation</a>. Last accessed on Nov. 28, 2022.