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**RESOLUTION
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING DE LA SALLE SANTIAGO ZOBEL
STRINGS ENSEMBLE FOR WINNING THE GOLD AWARD AT THE 2023
BRATISLAVA YOUTH MUSICAL FESTIVAL COMPETITION AND, 4TH PLACE AT
THE 15TH SUMMA CUM LAUDE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL
HELD IN EUROPE**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has on several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for their commendable performances that bring pride and joy to the country, especially in the field of music;

WHEREAS, the De La Salle Zobel (DLSZ) Strings Ensemble competed in two international youth music festivals held in Europe last July 2023 in which they won multiple awards;

WHEREAS, last July 1 the group received an outstanding rating landing the 4th place at the 15th Summa Cum Laude (SCL) International Youth Music Festival which took place at the Golden Hall of the Musikverein in Vienna, Austria;

WHEREAS, the SCL International Youth Music Festival is a world-renowned international celebration for young musicians that features different musical ensembles from Australia, Austria, Canada, China, Italy, Puerto Rico, Singapore, Taipei, Norway, Netherlands, Spain, and the USA¹;

WHEREAS, last July 7, the DLSZ Stings also won the Gold Award at the 2023 Bratislava Youth Music Festival Competition at the Slovak Radio Concert Hall in Slovakia;

WHEREAS, the DLSZ Strings, which are high school students who are enrolled in the Special Music program to develop their musical skills, are composed of:

AQUINO, CARLOS GABRIEL GINETE
ARCILLAS, JUSTINE CLEO GUERRERO
ASCALON, CESAR GERVASIO CULATA
CALARA, HIMAYA ALMOGINO
CORPUZ, ADELINE RENEE DAYOT
ESPIRITU, SAGE MARTINA ARGUELLES
GO, FRANCES KAROL LLANES
ILANO, GAEL AZURE MARAMAG
JAVIER, MEITHZAN MEDINA
MINDANAO, JOHN DAVE GALICIA
PARIS, ANDRE HABULAN
PULGAR, MAYO IÑIGO MADRID
SANTOS, MA. JOSEFA CARMELA GAN
TOMAS, MAXINE ANTOINETTE CORONG
TORRES, YSABELLA SAGE MALONZO
VITO, ANNIKA MARIE CRUZ
CALUBAYAN, RICHARD FERNANDEZ

ARCEO, JUAN JAIME JAVIER ALVERO
ASCALON, ARMINA SOPHIA CULATA
BAUYON, ELIZABETH SELIBIO
CATABIAN, NATHAN BENEDICT OCAMPO
CRUZ, BENICA SOPHIA FERRER
GALANG, JARED KENNETH CARACTA
GRAGEDA, CARA SABINE DURAN
INFANTE, CHARLES SEBASTIAN VELARDE
LIRIO, DANIELA ONGPIN
MINDANAO, JULIENE DAIZ GALICIA
PIOQUINTO, KIRSTEN ANTOINETTE MERILLEN
REYES, JOAQUIN GABRIEL DAVID
TAMAYO, ANTONIO JESUS CORRAL
TIMBANG, LUIS PETER EMMANUEL DE LEON
VALERO, ANNA KRISTINA DE LEON
GONZALEZ, JUAN FRANCO PEÑALBA
NATIVIDAD, PAUL BENJAMIN RODRIGUEZ;

¹<https://www.dlszobel.edu.ph/index.php/2023/07/17/dlsz-strings-achieve-an-outstanding-rating-4th-place-in-the-15th-summa-cum-laude-scl-international-youth-music-festival/>

WHEREAS, the group was headed by Strings Conductor Mr. Leopoldo Sumera Jr, accompanied by Strings teacher Ms. Shelly Isaga, Music Unit Head Mr. Daryl Galicia, and the Cultural Affairs Office Head Lynette Feliciano;

WHEREAS, the DLSZ Strings' participation in these international events not only highlight the hard work and dedication of the students but also demonstrate Filipinos' world-class talent and musical excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to commend and congratulate the De La Salle Santiago Zobel Strings Ensemble for winning the gold award at the 2023 Bratislava Youth Musical Festival Competition and, 4th place at the 15th Summa Cum Laude International Youth Music Festival in Europe.

Adopted,

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