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## RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR THE WORLDWIDE WALK TO FIGHT POVERTY SPEARHEADED BY THE FELIX Y. MANALO FOUNDATION, INC. OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO

**WHEREAS**, the Iglesia ni Cristo is a Christian religious sect with a membership comprising of at least 133 nationalities. It maintains about 140 ecclesiastical districts in the Philippines and in 142 countries and territories;

**WHEREAS,** Iglesia ni Cristo's primary purpose is to serve and worship the Almighty God based on the teachings of Jesus Christ and his disciples as written in the Bible;

**WHEREAS,** the intense desire of the current Executive Minister of the Iglesia ni Cristo Brother Eduardo V. Manalo to help the brethren and the people in need has led to the birth of the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation in 2011;

**WHEREAS,** since its establishment, the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation has been a strong partner of the Iglesia ni Cristo in helping underprivileged people not only in the Philippines, but also in other parts of the world including the United States of America, Japan, South Korea, Spain, Russia, United Kingdom, France, and Australia;

**WHEREAS**, the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation envisions to become one of the leading charitable institutions in the world that helps people lead productive lives through the promotion of education, socio-economic well being, environmental awareness, and healthy lifestyle;

**WHEREAS,** in 2014, the Iglesia ni Cristo's fund-raising walk for victims of Supertyphoon "Yolanda" broke the Guinness World Record for the largest charity walk and the largest charity walk in 24 hours (multiple venues);

WHEREAS, the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation will spearhead another record-breaking charity walk—the Worldwide Walk to Fight Poverty—for the benefit of the victims of the humanitarian crisis in Africa, which will be held on May 6, 2018 along Manila's bayside Roxas Boulevard and other major cities in the country, and simultaneously in various sites around the world;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to express the full support of the Senate of the Philippines for the Worldwide Walk to Fight Poverty spearheaded by the Felix Y. Manalo Foundation, Inc. of the Iglesia Ni Cristo.

Adopted,

SONNY ANGARA