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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE 2022 *GALING POOK* AWARDEES HONORED BY GALING POOK FOUNDATION, CO-PRESENTED BY SM PRIME HOLDINGS INC. AND DILG-LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACADEMY, AND SPONSORED BY CEBU PACIFIC AND AIRSPEED, ON 22 NOVEMBER 2022 AT THE MALACAÑANG PALACE, MANILA, PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the *Galing Pook* awards is an annual search undertaken by the *Galing Pook* Foundation that promotes innovation and excellence in local governance, and recognizes best local government practices and facilitates their adoption in communities across the country;

WHEREAS, launched in 1993, the *Galing Pook* awards has been a joint initiative with the DILG-Local Government Academy and advocates of good governance from the academe, civil society and the government, and has since recognized numerous local government units that have been promoted for replication to benefit more communities;

WHEREAS, 196 applicants for this year's awards were subjected to first screening, after which, 30 entries were selected for site validation and were further trimmed down to 18 finalists, from which the Ten Outstanding Local Governance Programs were selected;

WHEREAS, after the National Screening Committee identified the 18 finalists, the same were endorsed to the Board of Judges for final judging by this year's panel, headed by its Chairperson, DILG Secretary Benhur Abalos, with members Rico Hizon, Vice Admiral Alexander Pama (Ret), Dr. Chito Salazar, former governor Miguel Dominguez, Tina Monzon-Palma, former Secretary Elisea Gozun, former Secretary Leonardo Montemayor, and Fe Villamejor-Mendoza;

WHEREAS, the Board of Judges selected 10 local governance programs as this year's winners, and these will join the ranks of 329 LGU programs from 200 local government units from all over the country that have been awarded in the *Galing Pook's* 29-year history;

WHEREAS, the *Galing Pook* Foundation with SM Prime Holdings Inc., and the DILG-Local Government Academy awards the *Galing Pook* to the 10 Outstanding Local Governance Programs, namely:

1. The Green Wall of Alcala by the Municipal Government of Alcala, Cagayan
2. Advancing and Sustaining Good Governance and Community Actions towards Resiliency and Empowerment (AS2G CARE) by the Provincial Government of Basilan
3. Bataan Public-Private Partnership Programs by the Provincial Government of Bataan
4. Balik-Biñan Project: Tourism Development through Heritage Conservation by the City Government of Biñan City, Laguna
5. From Black to Green: Fishponds, EcoTourism and Full Employment by the Local Government of Brgy. Cayabu, Tanay, Rizal
6. Trekking to Unlock Community Ailments and Difficulties (TUCAD) by the Municipal Government of Goa, Camarines Sur
7. "I-BIKE" A Program Promoting the Development of the Iloilo City Bike Culture by the City Government of Iloilo City
8. Yaru: A Whole-of-Community Approach Towards Disaster Management by the Municipal Government of Itbayat, Batanes
9. Libertad Fish Forever Savings Club by the Municipal Government of Libertad, Antique
10. Basta Piddigueño, AgriHenyo: Consolidated Farm Production System by the Municipal Government of Piddig, Ilocos Norte

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines proudly joins the *Galing Pook* Foundation in acknowledging the local government units that responded to their respective people's needs by providing support and resources to empower citizens and enable communities to build adaptive solutions to challenges through the 2022 *Galing Pook;*

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulate and commend the 2022 *Galing Pook* awardees honored by *Galing Pook* Foundation, co-presented by SM Prime Holdings Inc. and DILG-Local Government Academy, and sponsored by Cebu Pacific and Airspeed, on 22 November 2022 at the Malacañang Palace, Manila, Philippines.

Adopted,

JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI