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RESOLUTION No. 139

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING LILY
MONTEVERDE, MORE POPULARLY KNOWN
AS "MOTHER LILY," AND REGAL
ENTERTAINMENT, INC. FOR THEIR
CONTRIBUTION TO PHILIPPINE CINEMA

WHEREAS, Lily Yu Monteverde, better known as "Mother Lily," founded the film-producing and distribution enterprise Regal Entertainment, Inc.;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily and her Regal Entertainment Inc. are committed to producing movies that appeal to the aesthetic preference of a multitude of Filipinos and to contributing to the development of Filipino artistry;

WHEREAS, in pursuit of the abovementioned commitment, Regal Entertainment, Inc. and Mother Lily have been developing, patronizing and supporting Filipino talents in

acting, photography, film directing, and other aspects of filmmaking and show business for forty-eight years now;

WHEREAS, both Regal Entertainment, Inc. and Mother Lily, are icons of the Philippine cinema because of their devotion and continuous active presence therein for almost five decades now and for which they are widely acknowledged as pillars of the Philippine movie industry;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily's achievement and contribution in the history of the Philippine cinema has been recognized by various award-giving bodies, media organizations and the academe, including the University of the Philippines which chose her as one of the recipients of the first Diwata Awards on the occasion of the 16th International Women's Film Festival in 2006;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily was cited in the aforementioned Diwata Awards as having successfully contributed to "the growing original text on women sensibilities that aim to empower the women who have been marginalized in traditional film text";

WHEREAS, Mother Lily was further recognized in the same aforementioned Diwata Awards for "tirelessly supporting filmmaking even in times when other producers have abandoned the industry," for producing "critically acclaimed productions like *Sister Stella L.* and *City After Dark/Manila by Night*," and for "her experimentations in non-formula films that gave rise to new directors and fresher ways of telling stories, contributing to the discourse of gender issues and the struggle of women with intercultural issues";

WHEREAS, film is an art and media form that is popular among the people and is considered to be an effective medium for education and information dissemination;

WHEREAS, because of Mother Lily's unwavering faith in the artistry of the Filipinos as well as her vigilance in safeguarding the welfare of the Philippine movie industry, its

personnel and dependents, she is acknowledged as the matriarch of the Philippine cinema;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily and Regal Entertainment, Inc. have provided livelihood to thousands of Filipinos since its foundation and continues to do so until the present;

WHEREAS, Mother Lily's industry and commitment to Filipino artistry and talent is worthy of emulation not only by members of the movie industry but also by every Filipino;

WHEREAS, Regal Entertainment is celebrating its 48th anniversary this year: Now, therefore, be it


Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, That the Senate congratulate Lily Yu Monteverde, more popularly known as "Mother Lily," on the occasion of the 48th year anniversary of Regal Entertainment, Inc. this 2008;

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be given to Lily Yu Monteverde, more popularly known as "Mother Lily."

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on October 9, 2008.


EMMA LIRIO-REYES
Secretary of the Senate