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RESOLUTION NO. 44

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE FOUR FILIPINO MEMBERS OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE (IPCC) FOR BEING RECIPIENTS OF THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR 2007 FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND CONTRIBUTION IN THE MOVEMENT TO BUILD UP CLIMATE CHANGE AWARENESS

WHEREAS, on 12 October 2007, the Norwegian Nobel Committee awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for 2007, in two equal parts, to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and Albert Arnold (Al) Gore, Jr. for their efforts to build up and disseminate greater knowledge about man-made climate change, and to lay the foundations for the measures that are needed to contract such change;

WHEREAS, the IPCC was created in 1998 as a scientific intergovernmental body by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) to provide decision-makers and others interested in climate change with an objective source of information about climate change;

WHEREAS, four Filipino scientists, namely, Dr. Rodel D. Lasco, Dr. Rosa T. Perez, Dr. Rex Victor O. Cruz and Dr. Juan M. Pulhin are among the thousands of scientists and officials from over one hundred countries who collaborated in the efforts of IPCC to achieve greater certainty as to the scale of global warming;

WHEREAS, the Committee maintains that indications of changes in the Earth's future climate must be treated with utmost seriousness as extensive climate changes may alter and threaten the living conditions of mankind;


WHEREAS, Mr. Rajendra Pachauri, Chairman of the IPCC, remarked in the IPCC statement in reaction to the Nobel Peace Prize that "this is an honor that goes to all the scientists and authors who have contributed to the work of the IPCC, which alone has resulted in enormous prestige for this organization and the remarkable effectiveness of the message that it contains";

WHEREAS, the recognition given to the IPCC and accordingly to the four mentioned scientists manifests the competency of the Filipinos and consequently, their role in furthering environmental awareness and protection;


WHEREAS, the award shall serve as a beacon for the Filipino people, most especially the youth, in striving for greater heights as well as an exemplar that will motivate greater participation in abating the looming environmental crisis wrought by climate change and its causes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, To commend the four Filipino members of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) for being recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize for 2007 for their commitment and contribution in the movement to build up climate change awareness.

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR
X *President of the Senate*

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on December 12, 2007.


EMMA LIRIO-REYES
Secretary of the Senate
