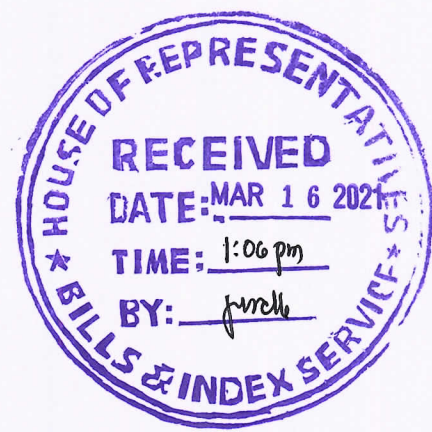


Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1656



Introduced by Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, Hon. Christopher V.P. de Venecia, Hon. Marlyn "Len" B. Alonte, Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan, Hon. Strike B. Revilla, Hon. Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Hon. Juan Miguel Macapagal Arroyo, Hon. Alfred C. Delos Santos, Hon. Amihilda J. Sangcopan, Hon. Claudine Diana D. Bautista, Hon. Aloy Lim, Hon. Angelica Natasha Co, Hon. Ann K. Hofer, Hon. Joy Myra S. Tambunting, Hon. Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Hon. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte, Hon. Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo, Hon. Francisco "Kiko" B. Benitez, Hon. Ronnie L. Ong, Hon. Deogracias Victor "DV" B. Savellano, Hon. Vilma Santos-Recto, Hon. Sol Aragon, Hon. Rufus B. Rodriguez, Hon. Alfred D. Vargas, Hon. Loren Legarda, Hon. Lianda B. Bolilia, Hon. Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Hon. Rosanna "Ria" V. Vergara, Hon. Florida "Rida" P. Robes, Hon. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma, Hon. John Reynald M. Tiangco, Hon. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto, Hon. Cristal L. Bagatsing, Hon. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, Hon. Precious Hipolito Castelo, Hon. Anthony Peter "Onyx" D. Crisologo, Hon. Ruffy B. Biazon, Hon. Manuel T. Sagarbarria, Hon. Rowena Niña O. Taduran

A RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MS. GABRIELLA SARMIENTO WILSON, KNOWN PROFESSIONALLY AS "H.E.R.", A FILIPINA-AMERICAN SINGER AND SONGWRITER FOR WINNING "SONG OF THE YEAR" AT THE 2021 GRAMMY AWARDS FOR HER SONG "I CAN'T BREATHE"

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Manila Time, Ms. Gabriella Sarmiento Wilson, or H.E.R., was awarded Song of the Year at the 63rd Grammy Awards, besting other internationally-acclaimed prominent artists;

WHEREAS, the Grammy Awards is considered one of the four major annual American entertainment awards, along with the Academy Awards for film, the Emmy Awards for television, and the Tony Awards for theater and Broadway;

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilson was born in Vallejo, California on June 27, 1997 to a Filipina mother, Ms. Agnes Sarmiento Wilson, and an American father, Mr. Ken Wilson and was introduced to the public as a young artist when she started performing on live television at the tender age of 12;

WHEREAS, Ms. Wilson signed her first record deal with RCA Records and My Brothers Keeper at the age of 14, later releasing her debut single entitled “Something to Prove” under her real name. She re-emerged in 2016 with a new persona “H.E.R.”, which stands for “Having Everything Revealed,” as a stand against the media’s depiction of women in the entertainment industry, which tends to focus on their personal lives rather than the quality of their artistic works;

WHEREAS, in an interview with Filipino media outlets, Ms. Wilson admitted watching Filipino shows while living abroad, listening to Filipino singers, as well as singing karaoke. She also admitted knowing how to sing in the Filipino language;¹


WHEREAS, Ms. Wilson’s accomplishments bring to the world’s attention the natural artistic talents and abilities of Filipinos, whether living in the Philippines or abroad, pushing further the argument to establish better policies to meaningfully support and incentivize Filipino artists to continue creating world-class creative outputs;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, to acknowledge and applaud Ms. Gabriella Sarmiento Wilson, also known as H.E.R., for winning Song of the Year for her song “I Can’t Breathe” at the 63rd Grammy Awards, amplifying the call for more meaningful ways of supporting Filipino Arts and Culture;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that an appropriate copy of these resolutions be given to Ms. Gabriella Sarmiento Wilson.

ADOPTED,



HON. LORD ALLAN JAY Q.
VELASCO


HON. CHRISTOPHER V.P. DE
VENECIA


HON. MARLYN "LEN" B. ALONTE


HON. KRISTINE SINGSON-MEEHAN


HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA


HON. EDWARD VERA PEREZ MACEDA

¹ <https://www.rappler.com/entertainment/music/filipino-american-winner-her-listened-to-sharon-cuneta>



**HON. JUAN MIGUEL MACAPAGAL
ARROYO**



HON. ALFRED C. DELOS SANTOS



HON. AMIHILDA J. SANGCOPAN



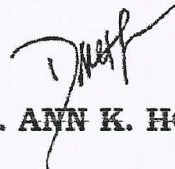
**HON. CLAUDINE DIANA D.
BAUTISTA**



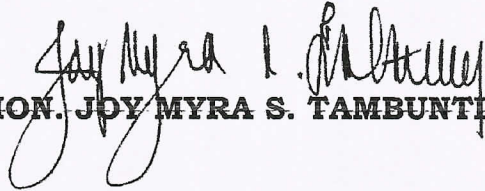
HON. ALOY LIM



HON. ANGELICA NATASHA CO



HON. ANN K. HOFER



HON. JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING



HON. STELLA LUZ A. QUIMBO



**HON. JOSE CHRISTOPHER Y.
BELMONTE**



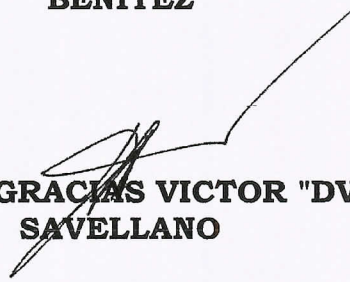
HON. MA. LOURDES T. ARROYO




**HON. FRANCISCO "KIKO" B.
BENITEZ**



HON. RONNEL L. ONG



**HON. DEOGRACIAS VICTOR "DV" B.
SAVELLANO**



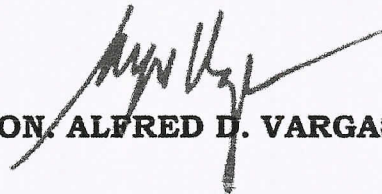
HON. VILMA SANTOS-RECTO



HON. SOL ARAGONES



HON. RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ



HON. ALFRED D. VARGAS



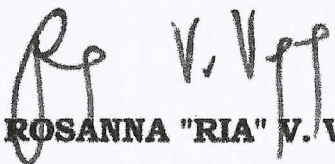
HON. LOREN LEGARDA



HON. LIANDA B. BOLILIA



HON. ROSE MARIE "BABY" J.
ARENAS



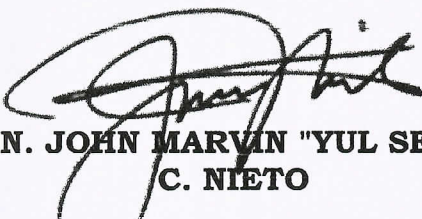
HON. ROSANNA "RIA" V. VERGARA



HON. FLORIDA "RIDA" P. ROBES



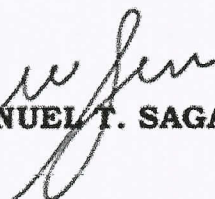
HON. LUISA LOREN CUARESMA



HON. JOHN MARVIN "YUL SERVO"
C. NIETO



HON. JOHN REYNALD M. TIANGCO



HON. MANUEL T. SAGARBARRIA



HON. CRISTALL. BAGATSING


HON. XAVIER JESUS D.
ROMUALDO


HON. PRECIOUS HIPOLITO
CASTELO


HON. ANTHONY PETER "ONYX" D.
CRISOLOGO


HON. ROZZANO RUFINO BLAZON


HON. ROWENA NIÑA O. TADURAN