

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

**NINETEENTH CONGRESS**  
First Regular Session

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 517**



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**Introduced By Hon. Christopher “Toff” V.P. De Venecia, Hon. Jefferson F. Khonghun, Hon. Rufus B. Rodriguez, Hon. Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Hon. Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, Hon. Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Hon. Maria Vanessa C. Aumentado, Hon. Jose Francisco “Kiko” B. Benitez, Ph.D., Hon. Juan Carlos “Arjo” C. Atayde, Hon. Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Hon. Angelica Natasha Co, Hon. Mark O. Go, Hon. Angelo Marcos Barba, Hon. Kristine Singson-Meehan, Hon. Christian Tell A. Yap, Hon. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco**

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**A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING FILIPINO CHEFS MELISSA MIRANDA AND TIM FLORES FOR BEING RECOGNIZED AS PART OF THE FOOD & WINE MAGAZINE’S 2022 TEN BEST NEW CHEFS**

**WHEREAS**, Food & Wine Magazine was established in 1978 to celebrate the worldwide epicurean experience and is considered one of the top culinary magazines in the world;

**WHEREAS**, since 1988, Food & Wine has been publishing an annual *Ten Best New Chefs* list to recognize the up-and-coming chefs in America;

**WHEREAS**, two Filipino chefs were named in the 2022 iteration of the *Ten Best New Chefs* award, namely Melissa Miranda of *Musang*, and Timothy Flores of *Kasama*;

**WHEREAS**, Melissa Miranda is the chef/owner of *Musang*, a community-based restaurant in Seattle, Washington, whose specialty is Filipino cuisine. *Musang* started out as a series of pop-up events who eventually transformed into a brick-and-mortar restaurant following the success of the pop-up events;

**WHEREAS**, Food & Wine described Chef Miranda’s cooking style as one that is “elegant, seasonally driven, locavore take on Filipino cooking” that “pushes the boundaries of tradition”. Featured in the magazine are *Musang*’s fried chicken, bulalo, and pancit canton;

**WHEREAS**, Timothy Flores co-owns *Kasama* in Chicago, Illinois, with his wife Genie Kwon. *Kasama* operates as a bakery, and casual restaurant by day, and as a fine-dining restaurant by night.;

**WHEREAS**, *Kasama* previously was named part of the New York Times’ 2021 The Restaurant List, featuring the Top 50 “most vibrant and delicious” restaurants in the USA, and Eater’s and Chicago Magazine’s Best New Restaurants list for 2021, and more recently, was awarded with a Michelin Star – the first Filipino restaurant to receive said recognition;

**WHEREAS**, Food & Wine describes Chefs Flores & Kwon’s cuisine as “reinventing Filipino cuisine through a jubilant bakery and a destination-worthy tasting menu,” highlighting their breakfast sandwiches, their *kinilaw*, and their halo-halo.

**WHEREAS**, Chef Miranda’s and of Chef Flores’ inclusion in the *Ten Best New Chefs* list inspires Filipino gastronomes to pursue a career in the field, and elevates Filipino gastronomy to a global stage, bringing immense pride to the Philippine gastronomical community, and to the Philippines as a whole;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, undersigned members of the House of Representatives express, as it hereby expresses, our profound congratulations to Chef Melissa Miranda of *Musang*, and Chef Timothy Flores of *Kasama*, on being recognized as part of the *Ten Best New Chefs* in America;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Chef Miranda and Chef Flores, and another copy be prepared for submission to the National Historical Commission of the Philippines for proper archiving.;

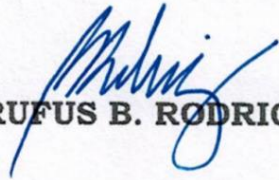
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**HON. CHRISTOPHER “TOFF” V.P.  
DE VENECIA**



**HON. JEFFERSON F. KHONGHUN**



**HON. RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ**

*Edward Manda*  
**HON. EDWARD VERA PEREZ MACEDA**



**HON. ANNA VICTORIA VELOSO-TUAZON**

*L. Villarica*  
**HON. LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA**

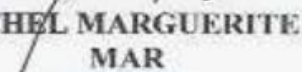


**HON. MARIA VANESSA C. AUMENTADO**

*Jose Francisco Benitez*  
**HON. JOSE FRANCISCO "KIKO" B. BENITEZ, PH.D.**



**HON. JUAN CARLOS "ARJO" C. ATAYDE**



**HON. RACHEL MARGUERITE B. DEL MAR**



**HON. ANGELICA NATASHA CO**



**HON. MARK O. GO**



**HON. ANGELO MARCOS BARBA**

*Kristine Singson-Meehan*  
**HON. KRISTINE SINGSON-MEEHAN**



**HON. CHRISTIAN TELL A. YAP**



**HON. LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO**