

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 570



Introduced by Hon. Christopher V.P. de Venecia

A RESOLUTION

**BONUAN BOQUIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FOR WINNING THE 2022 T4 EDUCATION
WORLD'S BEST SCHOOL PRIZE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION FOR ILOG KO, AROEN
KO: MANGROVE PLANTING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, The T4 Education World's Best School Prizes recognizes the contribution schools make to society's progress, especially in the wake of COVID;

WHEREAS, Bonuan Boquig National High School of Dagupan, Pangasinan was awarded as the World's Best School for Environmental Action last 19 October 2022 for their project *Ilog Ko, Aroen Ko: Mangrove Planting Project*;

WHEREAS, The World's Best School Prize for Environmental Action recognizes the importance of schools and their students and teachers in environmental advocacy and changemaking;

WHEREAS, *Ilog Ko, Aroen Ko: Mangrove Planting Project* was the school's response to the damage brought about by Typhoon Pepeng in 2009. It started as a classroom project and was extended as a school environmental activity. This aimed to replace the lost mangroves along the riverbanks, rehabilitate and stabilize Longos River, provide valuable habitats and shelter for fish, and add aesthetic value to the river;

WHEREAS, Its initial implementation saw about 2000 mangrove propagules being planted. By 2016, a total of over 10,000 mangroves were grown by Bonuan Boquig National High School and its partner groups;

WHEREAS, This movement was extended to activities like coastal clean-up, waste management, tree planting, and an international green camp;

WHEREAS, In 2019, with an expanded program of the school that reached several agency volunteers within the city, Bonuan Boquig National High School planted 7,000 mangroves. Even

amidst the COVID pandemic, the school continues to plant – from 2020 up to the present. Mangrove planting activities shifted from twice-a-year affairs to monthly activities as more stakeholders hopped in to join the cause;

WHEREAS, Bonuan Boquig National High School is a prime example of education that is inclusive, resilient, and holistic, and is a model school for environmental protection around the world.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the House of Representatives express, as it hereby expresses, our profound congratulations to Bonuan Boquig National High School for being awarded the World’s Best School Prize for Environmental Action;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Bonuan Boquig National High School, and another copy be prepared for submission to the National Historical Commission of the Philippines for proper archiving;

Adopted,


HON. CHRISTOPHER V.P. DE VENECIA
Fourth District, Pangasinan