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Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-second day of July, two thousand twenty-four.

RESOLUTION NO. 281

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONGRATULATIONS AND COMMENDATION TO THE CENTRAL LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY MAESTRO SINGERS FROM THE SCIENCE CITY OF MUÑOZ, NUEVA ECIJA, FOR BAGGING FIVE MAJOR AWARDS IN THE 5<sup>TH</sup> TOKYO INTERNATIONAL CHOIR COMPETITION HELD IN TOKYO, JAPAN ON JULY 28 TO 30, 2023

WHEREAS, the Philippines is beyond honored and proud when the Central Luzon State University (CLSU) Maestro Singers reigned supreme and bagged five major awards in the 5<sup>th</sup> Tokyo International Choir Competition in Tokyo, Japan on July 28 to 30, 2023, as follows: Gold Prize in Youth Choir and Contemporary Music Categories, Best Interpretation in Compulsory Piece, Big Wave Award for Most Promising Choir of the Year, Audience Prize Award, and Silver Prize in Video Presentation Category;

WHEREAS, the 32-member choir's version of "Hard by a Crystal Fountain," "Joy," and "Symbolum Nicaenum (credo)" earned them 92.38 points, leading to their Gold Prize award for the Youth Choir Category, and their rendition of "Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord," "Dreams of the Dreamer," "I Am Not Yours," and "Gapas" led to their second Gold Prize for Contemporary Music Category, with 91.64 points;

WHEREAS, the Tokyo International Choir Competition is an annual chorale competition established in 2018 and is supported by the Japan Agency for Cultural Affairs;

WHEREAS, the official delegates of the CLSU Maestro Singers to the 5<sup>th</sup> Tokyo International Choir Competition were:

| <u>Name</u>                     | <u>Voice Classification/Position</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (1) Alabas, Valerie L.          | Alto II                              |
| (2) Alipio, Mark Angelo C.      | Tenor I                              |
| (3) Asehan, Adrian Immanuel R.  | Tenor II                             |
| (4) Bautista, Anniel L.         | Bass II                              |
| (5) Benitez, Chrismabelle A.    | Soprano II                           |
| (6) Bunag, Ronald Andrei S.     | Tenor II                             |
| (7) Cabatin, Ardie S.           | Bass II/Musical and Project Director |
| (8) Cabigting, Vianca Marie R.  | Soprano II                           |
| (9) Caguntas, Danalee Benito    | Soprano II                           |
| (10) De Guzman, Danica R.       | Soprano II                           |
| (11) Ebaos, Rovie Jean F.       | Baritone                             |
| (12) Espejo, Janis Emanuelle C. | Alto II                              |
| (13) Galang, Vince Van Gogh G.  | Bass II                              |
| (14) Garcia, Alphamae R.        | Alto II                              |
| (15) Ibarra, Florante P.        | Choirmaster                          |
| (16) Labe, Roland Michael S.    | Baritone                             |
| (17) Leybag, Jezreel Dave L.    | Tenor I/Assistant Choirmaster        |

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| (18) Leybag, Shemea Bell L.    | Soprano I |
| (19) Mamuad, Mara Shane D.     | Alto I    |
| (20) Mende, Carl Jance B.      | Bass II   |
| (21) Miranda, Kyla Nicole H.   | Alto I    |
| (22) Molina, Kassandra V.      | Alto I    |
| (23) Morales, Edjean P.        | Alto I    |
| (24) Ong, Balerie July D.      | Alto I    |
| (25) Pacheco, Ian Frank V.     | Tenor II  |
| (26) Page, Jyka Althea Cortez  | Soprano I |
| (27) Pineda, Justine Joshua P. | Tenor     |
| (28) Sabio, April Chan R.      | Baritone  |
| (29) Sagun, Jonathan I.        | Tenor I   |
| (30) Salmorin, Ray Virgil A.   | Bass II   |
| (31) Tasane, Regine A.         | Soprano I |
| (32) Yabut, Erickson C.        | Bass II   |

WHEREAS, the CLSU Maestro Singers was duly organized in 1998 by a Classic Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Florante P. Ibarra, and has been serving as CLSU's cultural ambassadors and representatives in local, regional, national, and international choir competitions where they won numerous awards;

WHEREAS, from May 9 to 13, 2022, during the Virtual Choir Competition in Changwon, South Korea in Celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Changwon Initiative, the CLSU Maestro Singers was hailed as the winner by the Minister of the Korea Forest Service;

WHEREAS, in Harumi, Tokyo, Japan, during the Tokyo International Choir Competition on July 29 to 31, 2022, the CLSU Maestro Singers received three major awards, namely: the Gold Prize Award; the Category V Winner under the Virtual Choir Category; and the Audience Prize Award;

WHEREAS, the CLSU Maestro Singers also won the Gold Award and was pronounced as the Category V Winner for Virtual Choir Category during the Taipei International Choral Festival in Taipei, Taiwan, held from July 29 to August 2, 2022;

WHEREAS, the CLSU Maestro Singers is a recipient of the Award of Excellence for Outstanding Achievement as the Best Choral Group during the 35<sup>th</sup> Aliw Awards on December 5, 2022, at the Fiesta Pavilion, Manila Hotel;

WHEREAS, the CLSU Maestro Singers deserves utmost recognition and commendation for showing their talents on the global stage, that brought honor and pride to our country and inspiration to our fellow Filipinos: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the House of Representatives, To express its profound congratulations and commendation to the Central Luzon State University Maestro Singers from the Science City of Muñoz, Nueva Ecija, for bagging five major awards in the 5<sup>th</sup> Tokyo International Choir Competition held in Tokyo, Japan on July 28 to 30, 2023;*

*Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the Central Luzon State University administration, each member of the Maestro Singers, and the National Commission for Culture and the Arts for effective information dissemination of this Resolution.*

Adopted,

  
FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ  
*Speaker*

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives  
on December 11, 2024.



REGINALD S. VELASCO  
*Secretary General*

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