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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1399

Submitted by the Special Committee on Creative Industries on February 3, 2025

Re: House Resolution No. 2218

Recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 2011

Sponsor: Representative Christopher V.P. de Venecia

Mr. Speaker:

The Special Committee on Creative Industries, to which was referred House Resolution No. 2011, introduced by Representatives Christopher V.P. De Venecia, Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Ramon Jolo B. Revilla III, Maria Rachel J. Arenas, Lianda B. Bolilia, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Angelo Marcos Barba, Angelica Natasha Co, Antonio B. Legarda Jr., Vincent Franco "Duke" D. Frasco, Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, Amparo Maria J. Zamora, Claudine Diana D. Bautista-Lim, Kristine Singson-Meehan, Jose Arturo S. Garcia, Jr., Marlyn "Len" B. Alonte, Jefferson F. Khonghun, Richard I. Gomez, DPA, Midy N. Cua, Juan Carlos "Arjo" C. Atayde, Mark O. Go, Richelle Singson, Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata, Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Robert Ace S. Barbers, Lani Mercado-Revilla, Maria Angela S. Garcia, and Dan S. Fernandez, entitled:

**“A RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING CHEF LORD MAYNARD LLERA FOR
WINNING THE PRESTIGIOUS 2024 JAMES BEARD AWARD
FOR BEST CHEF CALIFORNIA”**

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Resolution No. 2218, entitled:

**“RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO-
AMERICAN CHEF LORD MAYNARD LLERA FOR WINNING
THE PRESTIGIOUS 2024 JAMES BEARD AWARD FOR “BEST**

**CHEF: CALIFORNIA,” AT THE LYRIC OPERA OF CHICAGO,
U.S.A., ON JUNE 10, 2024**

be adopted in substitution of House Resolution No. 2011 with Representatives Christopher V.P. De Venecia, Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Ramon Jolo B. Revilla III, Maria Rachel J. Arenas, Lianda B. Bolilia, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Angelo Marcos Barba, Angelica Natasha Co, Antonio B. Legarda Jr., Vincent Franco "Duke" D. Frasco, Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, Amparo Maria J. Zamora, Claudine Diana D. Bautista-Lim, Kristine Singson-Meehan, Jose Arturo S. Garcia, Jr., Marlyn "Len" B. Alonte, Jefferson F. Khonghun, Richard I. Gomez, DPA, Midy N. Cua, Juan Carlos "Arjo" C. Atayde, Mark O. Go, Richelle Singson, Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata, Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Robert Ace S. Barbers, Lani Mercado-Revilla, Maria Angela S. Garcia, and Dan S. Fernandez as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



CHRISTOPHER V.P. DE VENECIA

Chairperson

Special Committee on Creative Industries

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(In substitution of House Resolution No. 2011)

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RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO-AMERICAN CHEF LORD MAYNARD LLERA FOR WINNING THE PRESTIGIOUS 2024 JAMES BEARD AWARD FOR "BEST CHEF: CALIFORNIA," AT THE LYRIC OPERA OF CHICAGO, U.S.A., ON JUNE 10, 2024

1 WHEREAS, California-based Filipino-American Chef Lord Maynard
2 Llera moved from the Philippines to the U.S.A. with the goal of opening his
3 own Filipino restaurant to "educate non-Filipinos about Filipino culture
4 through food, and for them to be familiar with Filipino flavors";

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6 WHEREAS, Chef Lord Llera studied at the well-respected Culinary
7 Institute of America in upstate New York and has cooked at Grace Restaurant
8 and Bestia Restaurant, two of the best-known restaurants in Los Angeles,
9 California, U.S.A;

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11 WHEREAS, Chef Lord Llera started his own business by serving food
12 in a pop-up eatery in his garage which became popular, drawing crowds from
13 places like Long Beach, Orange County, and Koreatown, for its purely
14 authentic Filipino food, such as "*Lucenachon*," a slow-roasted pork belly;

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16 WHEREAS, Chef Lord Llera's goal is for Filipino food "to enter the

1 American mainstream and be finally accepted by non-Filipinos, like how they
2 accept and crave for other Asian cuisines such as Chinese, Japanese, and
3 Thai”;

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5 WHEREAS, in his journey from operating a pop-up eatery to a 28-
6 seater restaurant named “*Kuya Lord*,” located in the Melrose Hill section of
7 Hollywood, Los Angeles, California, Chef Lord Llera was announced, on June
8 10, 2024 at the Lyric Opera of Chicago, U.S.A., winner of the prestigious 2024
9 James Beard Award for ‘Best Chef: California’;

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11 WHEREAS, the James Beard Foundation is a nonprofit organization
12 whose mission is to celebrate, support, and elevate the people behind
13 America’s food culture and champion a standard of good food anchored on
14 talent, equity, and sustainability, where all have the opportunity to thrive;

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16 WHEREAS, with hard work and dedication, Chef Lord Llera has
17 elevated Filipino cuisine to the global podium and brought honor and
18 excellence in the service of the nation’s interest, thereby serving as model for
19 Filipinos around the world to proudly promote Filipino culture and its
20 traditions: Now, therefore, be it

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22 *Resolved by the House of Representatives*, To congratulate and
23 commend Filipino-American Chef Lord Maynard Llera for winning the
24 prestigious 2024 James Beard Award for “Best Chef: California,” at the Lyric
25 Opera of Chicago, U.S.A., on June 10, 2024;

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27 *Resolved, further*, That a copy of this Resolution be presented to Chef
28 Lord Maynard Llera and another copy submitted to the National Historical
29 Commission of the Philippines, for proper dissemination and archiving.

Adopted,