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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1507

Submitted by the Special Committee on Creative Industries on **June 10, 2025**

Re: House Resolution No. **2330**

Recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 2155

Sponsor: Representative Christopher V.P. De Venecia

Mr. Speaker:

The Special Committee on Creative Industries, to which was referred House Resolution No. 2155, introduced by Representatives Christopher V.P. de Venecia, Angelica Natasha Co, Marissa “Del Mar” P. Magsino, Jefferson F. Khonghun, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Lani Mercado-Revilla, Jose Arturo S. Garcia Jr., Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Amparo Maria J. Zamora, Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata, Charisse Ann C. Hernandez, Lianda B. Bolilia, Maria Vanessa C. Aumentado, Angelo Marcos Barba, Margarita Ignacia B. Nograles-Almario, Mark O. Go, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Marlyn “Len” B. Alonte, Antonio B. Legarda Jr., Maria Rachel J. Arenas, Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, Claudine Diana D. Bautista-Lim, Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Kristine Singson-Meehan, Maria Angela S. Garcia, and Patrick Michael D. Vargas, entitled:

**“A RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AWARDEES FROM THE
PHILIPPINES FOR WINNING THE BEST CHEF AWARDS
2024”**

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Resolution No. **2330**, entitled:

**“RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING CHEFS JORDY NAVARRA,
STEPHAN DUHESME, CHELE GONZÁLEZ, AND JOHANNE SIY,
AWARDEES FROM THE PHILIPPINES, FOR WINNING AT THE BEST
CHEF AWARDS 2024 IN DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES”**

be adopted in substitution of House Resolution No. 2155, with Representatives Christopher V.P. de Venecia, Angelica Natasha Co, Marissa “Del Mar” P. Magsino, Jefferson F. Khonghun, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Lani Mercado-Revilla, Jose Arturo S. Garcia Jr., Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Rufus B. Rodriguez, Amparo Maria J. Zamora, Tsuyoshi Anthony G. Horibata, Charisse Ann C. Hernandez, Lianda B. Bolilia, Maria Vanessa C. Aumentado, Angelo Marcos Barba, Margarita Ignacia B. Nograles-Almario, Mark O. Go, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Marlyn “Len” B. Alonte, Antonio B. Legarda Jr., Maria Rachel J. Arenas, Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, Claudine Diana D. Bautista-Lim, Stella Luz A. Quimbo, Kristine Singson-Meehan, Maria Angela S. Garcia, Patrick Michael D. Vargas, Richard I. Gomez, DPA, and Juan Carlos “Arjo” C. Atayde, 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. 2155)

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1 **WHEREAS**, the Best Chef Awards, founded by Polish neuroscientist
2 Joanna Slusarczyk and Italian gastronmist Cristian Gadau in 2015 and held
3 annually since then, gathers in one festive event food enthusiasts from all over the
4 world and provides a platform where exchanges in culinary skills and experiences
5 take place especially on current topics from the world of gastronomy and fine
6 dining;

7 **WHEREAS**, the awarding ceremony of the Best Chef Awards 2024 was held
8 from 04 to 06 November, during its 8th Annual Awards, said to be the largest
9 edition of the Best Chef Awards, reflecting the expanding influence of the Best
10 Chef platform and the growing influence of Dubai, United Arab Emirates, in the
11 culinary world;

12 **WHEREAS**, Filipino chefs and chefs of top restaurants in Metro Manila
13 garnered awards at the Best Chef Awards 2024;

1 **WHEREAS**, Chef Jordy Navarra of “Toyo Eatery” in Makati was conferred
2 a rating of Two Knives or World Class, while Toyo Eatery was dubbed the best
3 restaurant in the Philippines and No. 24 on Asia’s 50 Best Restaurants by “The
4 Best 50,” the leading authority in global gastronomy and the international drinks
5 scene; Chef Navarra is known for exploring Filipino cooking traditions and turning
6 them into unique concoctions through innovative techniques and contemporary
7 flavor pairings;

8 **WHEREAS**, French-Filipino Chef Stephan Duhesme of “Metiz” in Makati
9 was conferred a rating of One Knife or Excellent, while the restaurant also achieved
10 the No. 84 spot on Asia’s 50 Best Restaurants by “The Best 50”; Metiz is popular for
11 highlighting Philippine produce and meats, employing the magic of fermentation
12 to unlock different properties within them and using these ferments to add
13 personality to plates on their tasting menu;

14 **WHEREAS**, Philippine-based Spanish Chef Chele González of “Gallery by
15 Chele” in Taguig was also conferred a rating of One Knife or Excellent; Chef
16 González melds his skills and expertise from his previous experiences working at
17 some of the most prominent restaurants in Spain – El Celler de Can Roca in Girona
18 and Mugaritz in Gipuzkoa; his perennial curiosity about Filipino ingredients and
19 tradition at Gallery by Chele combined with his mastery of traditional Spanish
20 cuisine, upon his permanent relocation to the Philippines, is well known for giving
21 a modern take on Filipino food, delightfully blending local ingredients and
22 techniques with international flair;

23 **WHEREAS**, Singapore-based Filipino Chef Johanne Siy of “Lolla” was
24 conferred a rating of One Knife or Excellent; born in Dagupan City but is now
25 based in Singapore, Chef Siy runs “Lolla” with her mindful, produce-driven
26 sustainable cuisine prepared with a modern sensibility; Chef Siy draws
27 inspiration from her Filipino roots by consistently incorporating in her creations
28 the Filipino concept of *sawsawan* or dipping sauce to allow diners to customize the
29 flavors on their plates;

30 **WHEREAS**, the awardees of the Best Chef Awards 2024 deserve to be
31 recognized and celebrated for bringing pride to the Philippines and its culinary
32 traditions, serving as inspiration and reminder to young Filipino chefs wishing to
33 succeed in the highly competitive gastronomic scene that traditional Filipino
34 cuisine and ingredients, if studied and used with utmost passion and dedication,
35 can be an avenue to conquer the international world of fine dining: Now, therefore,
36 be it

37 *Resolved by the House of Representatives*, To congratulate and commend
38 Chefs Jordy Navarra, Stephan Duhesme, Chele González, and Johanne Siy,
39 awardees from the Philippines, for winning at the Best Chef Awards 2024 in
40 Dubai, United Arab Emirates;

41 *Resolved, further*, That a copy of this Resolution be given to each of the
42 awardees and another copy furnished the National Historical Commission of the

1 Philippines for proper archiving.

2 Adopted,