
HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING KNDI RADIO, ITS PRESIDENT AND
PROGRAM HOSTS FOR EMPOWERING THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY
THROUGH THE STATION'S UNIQUE ETHNIC PROGRAMMING.

1 WHEREAS, KNDI Radio (KNDI) is celebrating 50 years of
2 reaching out to the immigrant community of Hawaii through its
3 progressive multicultural programming which is offered in 15
4 languages; and

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6 WHEREAS, KNDI has made it its commitment to give ethnic
7 communities in the state a voice and opportunity to participate
8 in the larger society, serving as an essential link between
9 people with limited English language proficiency and the rest of
10 Hawaii; and

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12 WHEREAS, KNDI's president and General Manager Leona Jona,
13 herself an immigrant from Budapest, Hungary, has shown such
14 fervor, faith, and dedication in building the station into an
15 icon that has become known as "Voices around the World" and
16 recently designated as a Civil Defense Station for the State of
17 Hawaii; and

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19 WHEREAS, program host Magdalena Domingo has uplifted the
20 Filipino community by serving as a radical advocate for its
21 advancement for the past 50 years through her program "Saniata
22 Variety Hour," and has received many awards over the years,
23 including the prestigious Lifetime Distinguished Award from the
24 Oahu Filipino Community Council; and

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26 WHEREAS, newscaster Flor Martinez, in his program dubbed
27 "Mr. Parbangon," has reached out to the Filipino community and
28 raised its level of awareness and involvement through witty
29 reporting of pertinent news and information; and

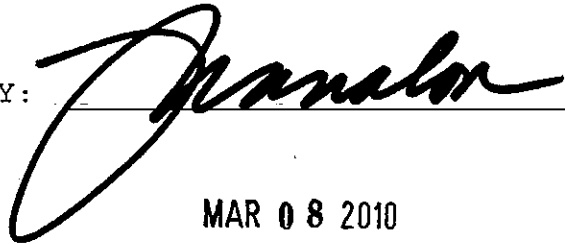


1 WHEREAS, program host Byrne Munoz has positively impacted
2 the lives of Filipinos as a community leader and as someone to
3 whom everybody listens when he speaks, through his programs
4 "Linabag ti Napalabas" and "Fun-O-Rama"; and
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6 WHEREAS, program host Venus Florido Vilorio has made the
7 program "Lovingly Yours, Ate Vi" a source of change,
8 inspiration, information, and awareness for fellow Filipinos
9 through discussion of important topics such as news and
10 politics, lifestyle, and health, among other things; now,
11 therefore,
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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
14 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
15 of 2010, that this body hereby honors, commends, and
16 congratulates Leona Jona, Magdalena Domingo, Flor Martinez,
17 Byrne Munoz, and Venus Florido Vilorio for their individual and
18 corporate impact and influence on the ethnic and immigrant
19 communities in the State of Hawaii through KNDI Radio, and for
20 their self-sacrifice and passion to empower their fellow people.
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