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RESOLUTION NO. ~~SP-1172~~, S-99

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONGRATULATIONS AND FELICITATIONS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE QUEZON CITY COUNCIL TO COUNCILOR AND PRESIDENT PRO-TEMPORE JORGE LERMA BANAL AND BARANGAY CAPTAIN CHARMINIA "BABY" BALUYUT BANAL AND FAMILY, FOR BEING ADJUDGED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AS "FAMILY OF THE YEAR".

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Introduced by Councilors GODOFREDO T. LIBAN II, WILMA AMORANTO-SARINO, ANTONIO L. SIOSON, VINCENT P. CRISOLOGO, ELIZABETH A. DELARMENTE, GEORGE M. CANSECO, ROMMEL R. ABESAMIS, WINSTON "Winnie" T. CASTELO, MA. FRESCA M. BIGLANG-AWA, MARCIANO P. MEDALLA, ENRICO S. SERRANO, ERIC Z. MEDINA, EUFEMIO C. LAGUMBAY, MICHAEL F. PLANAS, JULIAN M.L. COSETENG, FERNANDO V. AVANZADO, ANTHONY C. CASTELO, NANETTE CASTELO DAZA, JESUS C. SUNTAY, MARCEL C. RILLO, RAMON G. MATHAY, ALMA F. MONTILLA, BAYANI V. HIPOL, ALMARIO E. FRANCISCO and MARVIN C. RILLO.

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WHEREAS, Section 12, Article II, Declaration of Principles and State Policies of the 1987 Constitution provides that: "The State recognizes the sanctity of family life and shall protect and strengthen the family as a basic autonomous social institution.";

WHEREAS, recognizing the Filipino family as the foundation of the nation, Article XV of the 1987 Constitution was entirely devoted for the family, mandating the State to strengthen family solidarity and promote the family's total development;

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus embarks on an annual search for the Knights of Columbus Luzon State Jurisdiction "Family of the Year Award". The Award which stresses the importance of the family as a component unit of the State, on specific family rights and welfare, the sanctity and inviolability of marriage as a social institution and the rearing and development of children and the youth as partners in nation-building;

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WHEREAS, the leadership of the Knights of Columbus Luzon State Jurisdiction recently announced the selection of the Hon. Jorge Lerma Banal, Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Padre Gomez Assembly Faithful Navigator, and his spouse Barangay Captain Charminia "Baby" Baluyut Banal and their family as this year's "Family of the Year". The Banal family having received the award from the Knights of Columbus in fitting and appropriate ceremonies held on 15 May 1999 at the Manila Midtown Ramada Hotel, Malate, Manila;

WHEREAS, inspite of the Banal couple's ably guided by their well-entrenched involvement in government, various socio-civic and religious activities, they were able to support their family and rear their children to become equally respected leaders and career professionals in the field of law, medicine, finance, banking and management of financial institutions, the arts and service sectors;

WHEREAS, Hon. Jorge Lerma Banal, City Councilor, representing the Third Legislative District and President Pro-Tempore is not a greenhorn to awards and distinctions. Hon. Banal having been cited as "Gintong Ama" by the Gintong Ama Foundation, Inc., in 1992 and "Gawad Angkan Natatanging Pamilyang Pilipino ng 1990" by the World Family Institute;

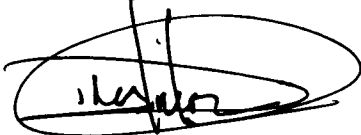
WHEREAS, Barangay Chairperson Charminia "Baby" Baluyut Banal of Barangay St. Ignatius was also declared a "Gintong Ina Awardee" in 1993. Her active participation and involvement in socio-civic and religious activities has strengthened her compassion and commitment to her family and community, as well;

WHEREAS, on several occasions, the Knights of Columbus has cited Hon. Banal and his family as a family worthy of emulation, when they were cited as "Family of the Year" by the Medalla Milagrosa KC Council 8254 in 1991 and 1998 where he served as Grand Knight.


NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN SESSION ASSEMBLED, to express, as it does hereby express, the profound congratulations and felicitations of the members of the Quezon City Council to Councilor and President Pro-Tempore Jorge Lerma Banal and Barangay Captain Charminia "Baby" Baluyut Banal and family, for being adjudged by the Knights of Columbus as "Family of the Year".

ADOPTED: May 18, 1999.

  
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ATTESTED:

  
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