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**RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE ERIC L. OLIVAREZ**

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**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONGRESSIONAL  
COMMENDATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2019  
RAMON MAGSAYSAY AWARDEES**

**WHEREAS**, in electing Raymond Pujante Cayabyab to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award, the Board of Trustees recognizes his compositions and performances that the defined and inspired Filipino popular music across generations; his indomitable, undeterred confidence to selflessly seek, mentor and promote young Filipino musical genius for the global stage; and his showing us all that music can indeed instill pride and joy, and unify people across the many barriers that divide them;

**WHEREAS**, in electing Ravish Kumar to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay award, the Board of Trustees recognizes his unfaltering commitment to a professional, ethical journalism of the highest standards. His moral courage in standing up for truth, integrity and independence and his principled belief that it is in giving full and respectful voice to the voiceless, in speaking truth bravely yet soberly to power, that journalism fulfills its noblest aims to advance democracy;

**WHEREAS**, in electing Kim Jong-Ki to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award, the Board of Trustees recognizes his quiet courage in transforming private grief into a mission to protect Korea's youth from the scourge of bullying and violence, his unstinting dedication to the goal of instilling among the young the values of self-esteem, tolerance, and mutual respect;


and effectively mobilizing all sectors of the country in a nationwide drive that has transformed both policy and behaviors towards building a gentler, non-violent Korean society;

**WHEREAS**, in electing Ko Swe Win to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award for Emergent Leadership the Board of Trustees recognizes his undaunted commitment to practice independent, ethical, and socially engaged journalism in Myanmar; his incorruptible sense of justice and unflinching pursuit of the truth in crucial but underreported issues; and his resolute insistence that it is quality and force of media's truth-telling that we convincingly protect human rights in the world;

**WHEREAS**, in electing Angkhana Neelapaijit to receive the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay Award, the Board of Trustees recognizes her unwavering courage in seeking justice for her husband and many other victims of violence and conflict in Southern Thailand; her systematic, unflagging work to reform a flawed and unfair legal system, and the shining proof that the humblest ordinary person can achieve national impact in deterring human right abuses;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as it is hereby **RESOLVED** that a Congressional Commendation and Congratulations of the House of Representatives be extended to the 2019 Ramon Magsaysay awardees: Raymund Cayabyab, Ravish Kumar, Kim Jong-Ki, Ko Swe Win and Angkhana Neelapaijit.

**Adopted.**

  
**ERIC L. OLIVAREZ**