## Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

## **EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS**First Regular Session

House Resolution No. 645



## Introduced by the Honorable Precious Hipolito Castelo

## A RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MMDA) ON THE SUCCESSFUL STAGING OF THE 2019 METRO MANILA FILM FESTIVAL AND FOR OFFICIALLY LAUNCHING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES FOR THE METRO MANILA SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Film Festival (MMFF) Executive Committee (Execom) announced that MMFF collectively made over PhP995 million in the box office, accumulated from December 25, 2019 until January 7, 2020;

WHEREAS, it is worthy to mention that one of the festival's entries, Mindanao, even bagged awards in the recent Cairo International Film Festival, with Judy Ann Santos winning Best Actress and Brillante Mendoza winning the Henry Barakat Award for Best Artistic Contribution, aside from ruling the MMFF awards during the "Gabi ng Parangal";

WHEREAS, these accolades and achievements are proof that Filipino artistic excellence should be patronized and supported;

WHEREAS, with the success of the recently concluded MMFF, the Execom also officially revealed that it is already accepting entries for the first-ever summer edition of MMFF, the "Metro Manila Summer Film Festival" (MMSFF), to be slated sometime in April;

WHEREAS, MMSFF is a good platform to recognize and give merit to the craft of Filipino filmmakers, actors, actresses, and everyone who works "behind the scenes";

WHEREAS, MMSFF is also expected to encourage Filipino filmmakers to create more films and to promote quality Filipino films, paving the way for a more vibrant and more internationally-competitive Filipino movie industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to congratulate the MMDA on the successful staging of the 2019 Metro Manila Film Festival and for officially launching the acceptance of entries for the Metro Manila Summer Film Festival.

ADOPTED,

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