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RESOLUTION NO. 24

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DR. JOVEN R. CUANANG AS A NEUROLOGIST, ART PATRON AND A HUMANITARIAN, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS EIGHTIETH (80TH) BIRTHDAY ON DECEMBER 31, 2019, AND HIS SIXTIETH (60TH) YEAR AS A DOCTOR, FOR HIS EXEMPLARY CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT ENRICHED PHILIPPINE MEDICINE, ARTS AND CULTURE AND THE SOCIETY IN GENERAL, WHICH BROUGHT HONOR AND PRIDE TO THE FILIPINO PEOPLE

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives, on several occasions, recognized the achievements and contributions and paid tribute to outstanding and exemplary Filipinos for their invaluable contribution to the country's nation building;

WHEREAS, one such outstanding and exemplary Filipino is Dr. Joven R. Cuanang who has a long, extensive, and distinguished career in the field of medicine as a medical doctor and a neurologist. He excelled academically, skipped grades, graduated cum laude at the College of Medicine of the University of the East in Sta. Mesa, Manila, and at a very young age of twenty-one (21), he was the youngest graduate of medicine in the University's first fifty (50) years;

WHEREAS, he completed his graduate studies as China Medical Board Clinical and Research Fellow in Clinical Neurology, at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital. He became Chief Fellow in Neurology at the University of California, Davis, and came back to the Philippines, resisting the trend for medical graduates of the 1960s, many of whom have opted to stay in the United States;

WHEREAS, aside from serving as president of various professional organizations, as professor of neurology, and later as dean of the college of medicine of his alma-mater, he was the Senior Vice President for Medical Affairs and Medical Director of St. Luke's Medical Center. Through his vision, commitment, perseverance, and love of country, he was instrumental in making St. Luke's Medical Center into what it is today – the best in the country, and one of the top ranked hospitals in Asia;

Whereas, he sits as director of the Asian Cultural Council — as he is one of the most active in cultural circles — where his enthusiasm and passion for art are well-appreciated. He also put up Pintô Art Museum with collections which include works by famous artists, whose oeuvres compose a veritable record of the evolving contemporary cultural milieu, distinguished by an innately Filipino adherence to cultural identity and national history. Likewise, he created Pintô International where he promotes Filipino artists and their works in the international stage, provides support, encourages greater and broader appreciation for their works, and fosters cultural diplomacy;

WHEREAS, for more than thirty (30) years, his unselfish devotion in the promotion of arts and culture and in his sixty (60) years as a doctor, he has touched the lives of every Filipino, so it is

only proper to honor him, his works, achievements and contributions, as he is truly an outstanding and exemplary Filipino who is an inspiration to everyone: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To recognize and honor Dr. Joven R. Cuanang as a neurologist, art patron and a humanitarian, on the occasion of his eightieth (80th) birthday on December 31, 2019, and his sixtieth (60th) year as a doctor, for his exemplary contributions and accomplishments that enriched Philippine medicine, arts and culture and the society in general, which brought honor and pride to the Filipino people.

Resolved, further, To furnish a copy of this Resolution to Dr. Joven R. Cuanang.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on December 11, 2019.

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