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**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE HONORS
AND DISTINCTIONS RECEIVED BY DR. NASSEF MANABILANG
ADIONG AS AN INSPIRATION FOR THE ENTIRE BANGSAMORO
YOUNG POPULACE**

WHEREAS, Dr. Nassef Manabilang Adiong is a pure-blooded Moro who has an astute quality of critical thinking towards intellectual development and progressive innovation honed by his decade-long multicultural and inter-civilizational experiences both here and abroad. He has authored, co-authored, edited, and co-edited more than 50 scholarly books, edited volumes, journal articles, book chapters, encyclopedic and reference entries, among others, in various academic publishing platforms—thus, contributing to the advancement of interdisciplinary research between Islam and international relations and to various research studies on the Bangsamoro society, particularly his recent study on the Bangsamoro’s Moral Governance;

WHEREAS, with his unwavering dedicated public service as the Director of the Policy Research and Legal Services (PRLS) of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) Parliament, a member of the Multi-Sector Advisory

Board (MSAB) of the Civil Relations Service of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (CRS-AFP), an Associate Professor of the University of the Philippines Diliman's Institute of Islamic Studies, a Supervising Fellow of the Development Academy of the Philippines who helped design the BARMM-dedicated curriculum of the Master in Public Management major in Regional and Local Governance and Development Program, and with his scholarly and intellectual growth, he had obtained the following deserving accolades:

- 1) Conferment of the "UP Scientist" title under the highest rank of Scientist III of the University of the Philippines Scientific Productivity System on November 4, 2021. First Moro to achieve this prestigious accolade since out of thousands of academics and scholars in the university nationwide only a handful of 340+ Scientist titles were conferred since 2005;
- 2) Recognized as one of the Most Outstanding Alumni of the University of the East on September 25, 2021;
- 3) Conferment of the "Centennial Professorial Chair" award by the University of the Philippines Diliman on October 8, 2020;
- 4) Recipient of the University of the Philippines' International Publication Award on September 24, 2019;
- 5) Recognized as one of The Outstanding Young Men and Women (TOYM) honorees, particularly in the field of International Relations, given by JCI Philippines on April 9, 2019. Concurrently, received commendation from the Philippine Senate via Resolution 1012;
- 6) Bestowed the Mentor Zeemo recognition by the AFP Civil Military Operation (CMO) school at the Camp Aguinaldo on August 17, 2018;
- 7) Conferment of the "Professorial Chairholder in Political Science and International Relations" award by the Polytechnic University of the Philippines on December 11, 2017;
- 8) Received the 'Plaque of Recognition' from the Philippine Embassy in Ankara as the first outstanding Filipino PhD holder and mentor of Filipino scholars and students in Turkey on June 2, 2016;

- 9) Nominated by the Embassy of the Philippines in Turkey for the Republic of the Philippines' Presidential Award for Filipino Individual Overseas, also known as *Pamana ng Pilipino* award, on July 4, 2014;
- 10) Bestowed the Republic of Turkey's Outstanding PhD Candidate award in Ankara on June 18, 2014; and
- 11) Received the Graduate Courses Performance Award (Most Successful PhD student in International Relations) accorded by the Middle East Technical University on June 2, 2011.

WHEREAS, shepherding towards reforms in the political economy of world's knowledge systems conveniently lenient to Western canons, he founded three research organizations (Co-IRIS or International Relations and Islamic Studies Research Cohort in 2012, PHISO or Philippine International Studies Organization in 2015, and DSRN or Decolonial Studies Research Network in 2019), five book series (*Islam and Global Studies* series published by Palgrave Macmillan, *International Relations in Southeast Asia* series published by Routledge, *Islam in Southeast Asia* series published by Springer, *Islam in the Philippines* series published by the International Islamic University Malaysia Press, and *Islam and International Relations* series published by Gerlach Press), and one academic journal (the *International Journal of Islam in Asia* published by BRILL) to provide impetus to marginalized plurality of intellectual voices;

WHEREAS, his recognition extends beyond the Philippine soil as he was elected as member-at-large officer at the International Studies Association's Asia-Pacific Region in 2021, governing board officer at the World International Studies Committee in 2020, and Asia representative at the ISA Global South Caucus in 2018. In addition, he was a former Chevening fellow at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies of the University of Oxford, a country expert at 'V-Dem: Varieties of Democracy' project of the V-Dem Institute of the Department of Political Science at the University of Gothenburg in Sweden, and a former SUSI (Study of the United States Institutes) scholar on religious pluralism of the US State Department in partnership with the Dialogue Institute of the Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA;

WHEREAS, the Parliament aspires that the Bangsamoro young populace and the succeeding generations shall be inspired with Dr. Adiong's stellar career of bringing glory, pride, honor, and excellence back to the Bangsamoro society;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, to recognize and commend the honors

and distinctions received by Dr. Nassef Manabilang Adiong as an inspiration for the entire Bangsamoro young populace.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Chancellor's Office and Institute of Islamic Studies' Dean's Office of the University of the Philippines Diliman, to the Graduate School's Dean's Office of the Development Academy of the Philippines, to the Commander's Office of the Armed Forces of the Philippines' Civil Relations Service, to the Ambassador's Office of the Turkish Embassy in Manila, and to the Board of Trustees of the Philippine International Studies Organization for their information and guidance.

ADOPTED, _____.

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