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PHILCONGEN LA COMMENDS RECIPIENTS OF PHL PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

08 February 2022, Los Angeles – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles conveys its warmest felicitations to the following Filipino and Filipino-American individuals and organizations, who have been selected to be among the recipients of the 2021 Presidential Awardees for Filipino Individuals and Organizations Overseas (PAFIOO) to be conferred by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte:

Banaag Award

- Bella Aurora P. Belmonte
- Filipino American Service Group, Inc.
- Fernandico Q. Gonong, Jr.
- Linda Nietes-Little
- Jannelle So-Perkins

Special Citation

- Coalition of Filipino-American Chambers of Commerce

The above Presidential awardees underwent an extensive four-stage evaluation process. The Screening Committee was composed of various Philippine government agencies, academic institutions and the media.

In his congratulatory letter to the awardees, Consul General Edgar B. Badajos wrote, *"Your tremendous contributions in furthering the interests of the Filipino-American community and enriching American society in general has further enhanced the prestige and profile of Filipinos and Fil-Ams in the United States. We wish you more success in your continued efforts at serving and building our community to become even stronger and more resilient."*

The Press Release issued by PAFIOO regarding this can be accessed to:
<https://presidentialawards.cfo.gov.ph/index.php/2022/02/03/recipients-of-the-2021-presidential-awards-for-filipino-individuals-and-organizations-overseas/>

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