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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____

Introduced by: **HON. "KUYA" JOSE ANTONIO R. SY-ALVARADO**

A RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO (CHURCH OF CHRIST) FOR SETTING A NEW WORLD RECORD FOR "MOST PEOPLE BAPTIZED" ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2019 WHICH COINCIDES WITH THE 10TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF BROTHER EDUARDO V. MANALO AS INC EXECUTIVE MINISTER.

WHEREAS, the Iglesia Ni Cristo which was first registered by Bro. Felix Y. Manalo with the Philippine government contemporaneously to the First World War on July 27, 1914, continues to share the gospel of salvation to all people by following Christ's command to "go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation" so that "whoever believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:15-16, English Standard Version);

WHEREAS, on Saturday, September 7, 2019, the Iglesia Ni Cristo set a new world record for the "Most People Baptized" at 18,272 for its Grand Baptism held at the Ciudad De Victoria grounds in, Bocaue, Bulacan and was announced by the Guinness adjudicators inside the Philippine Arena, which in itself is the record holder as the "World's Largest Mixed Use Indoor Theater";

WHEREAS, the record-breaking "Grand Baptism" of the Iglesia Ni Cristo coincides with the 10th year anniversary of Brother Eduardo V. Manalo as Executive Minister of the INC;

WHEREAS, the historical occasion of the INC, is the very first time that thousands of candidates for baptism from various nationalities, including those from Asia, North America, South America and Africa, was baptized simultaneously on more than 100 sites around the world across 24 time zones;

WHEREAS, the record-holder, the Iglesia Ni Cristo, has now reached 152 countries and territories, with its members belonging to 147 nationalities, races, and ethnicities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to congratulate the Iglesia Ni Cristo (Church of Christ) for setting a new world record and to commend the 10th year anniversary of Brother Eduardo V. Manalo as the Executive Minister of the INC.

Approved,

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