

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Cagayan  
**TUGUEGARAO CITY**

**NINTH CITY COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 016**

January 12, 2024

**Submitted by: COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, CULTURE AND ARTS**

**PRESENT:**

HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN	- Chairman (Tourism, Culture and Arts)
HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA	- Vice Chair, (Tourism, Culture and Arts)
HON. MARIA ROSARIO B. SORIANO	- Member (via zoom)

**GUESTS:**

HON. MARK ANGELO B. DAYAG	- City Councilor
HON. RONALD ORTIZ	- City Councilor (via zoom)
HON. ARNEL T. ARUGAY	- City Councilor
HON. GRACE B. ARAGO	- City Councilor
HON. CERENE PEARL T. QUILANG	- Ex-Officio Member

**RESOURCE PERSON:**

ATTY. MARY MARJORIE P. MATIN-CHAN	-Regional Awardee, City Councilor
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**SUBJECT:**

Draft Resolution Commending Hon. Atty. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan for being awarded as Winner and Official National Nominee of the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category (Human Rights Promotion) in the Regional Screening for Gawad Karapatang Pantao 2023 of the Commission on Human Rights – sponsored by Hon. Mark Angelo B. Dayag et.al

**FINDINGS:**

1. The Commission on Human Rights was created under Section 17 (1), Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution, and is mandated to conduct investigations on human rights violations against marginalized and vulnerable sectors of the society, involving civil and political rights.
2. The Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award is the highest recognition given by the Commission on Human Rights for government agencies or government employees/public servants who championed human rights activities in their respective organization or community.
3. The Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award aims to recognize outstanding human rights initiatives or government agencies or government employees/servants, promote public awareness on human rights by highlighting their initiated projects, and encourage good practices on human rights among government agencies.

4. The Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category (Human Rights Promotion) under the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award is conferred to an individual or group of individuals within a government agency whose program has exceptionally contributed to the protection of human rights (e.g. investigation, prosecution, provision of legal assistance, among others).
5. The Commission on Human Rights Region 02 on December 10, 2023 announced that the Atty. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan, a City Councilor serving in the 9<sup>th</sup> City Council of Tuguegarao, has been named as the first Regional Winner in Region II as the National Awardee for the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category of the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award.
6. Hon. Atty. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan has brought pride and honor to Tuguegarao City and whose achievement is worthy of emulation and commendation.
7. To amend the title to read as “Draft Resolution Commending Hon. Atty. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan for being awarded as a National Winner of the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category (Human Rights Promotion) in the national screening for Gawad Karapatang Pantao 2023 of the Commission on Human Rights.
8. To include in one of the whereas clauses of the resolution that Atty. Martin is the first Regional Winner in Region II as the National Awardee for the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category of the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award.
9. All the members of the 9<sup>th</sup> City Council shall be principal sponsors to the said resolution.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Finding the subject resolution to be in order and with merit, the Committee favorably recommend for its approval.

Respectfully submitted by:

  
**HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN**  
Chairman

  
**HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA**  
Vice Chair

  
**HON. MARIA ROSARIO B. SORIANO**  
Member

**DRAFT RESOLUTION COMMENDING HON. ATTY. MARY MARJORIE P. MARTIN-CHAN  
FOR BEING AWARDED AS A NATIONAL WINNER OF THE GAWAD SULONG  
KARAPATAN CATEGORY (HUMAN RIGHTS PROMOTION) IN THE NATIONAL  
SCREENING FOR GAWAD KARAPATANG PANTAO 2023 OF THE COMMISSION ON  
HUMAN RIGHTS**

SPONSORS:

**HON. MARK ANGELO B. DAYAG**  
**HON. RONALD S. ORTIZ**  
**HON. CERENE PEARL T. QUILANG**  
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**HON. IMOGEN CLAIRE M. CALLANGAN**  
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**HON. JUDE T. BAYONA**  
**HON. KARINA S. GAUANI-VIERNES**  
**HON. TIRSO V. MANGADA**  
**HON. MARC ALDOUS C. BACCAY**  
**HON. RESTITUTO C. RAMIREZ**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines adopts the generally accepted principles of international law as part of the law of the land and adheres to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which was ratified on December 10, 1948;

**WHEREAS**, Section 11, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State values the dignity of every human person and guarantees full respect for human rights;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Human Rights was created under Section 17 (1), Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution, and is mandated to conduct investigations on human rights violations against marginalized and vulnerable sectors of the society, involving civil and political rights;

**WHEREAS**, the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award is the highest recognition given by the Commission on Human Rights for government agencies or government employees/public servants who championed human rights activities in their respective organization or community;

**WHEREAS**, the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award aims to recognize outstanding human rights initiatives or government agencies or government employees/servants, promote public awareness on human rights by highlighting their initiated projects, and encourage good practices on human rights among government agencies;

**WHEREAS**, the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category (Human Rights Promotion) under the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award is conferred to an individual or group of individuals within a government agency whose program has exceptionally contributed to the protection of human rights (e.g. investigation, prosecution, provision of legal assistance), among others;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Human Rights Region 02 on December 10, 2023 announced that the Atty. Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan, a City Councilor serving in the 9<sup>th</sup> City Council of Tuguegarao, has been named as the first Regional Winner in Region II as the National Awardee for the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category of the Gawad Karapatang Pantao Award;

**WHEREAS**, Hon. Atty. Mary Mary Marjorie P. Martin-Chan has brought pride and honor to Tuguegarao City whose achievement is worthy of emulation and commendation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to commend **HON. ATTY. MARY MARJORIE P. MARTIN-CHAN** for being awarded the winner and official national nominee of the Gawad Sulong Karapatan Category (Human Rights Promotion) in the Regional Screening for Gawad Karapatang Pantao 2023 of the Commission on Human Rights.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, to furnish a copy of this Resolution to **HON. ATTY. MARY MARJORIE P. MARTIN-CHAN** for her information.