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## CONSUL GENERAL CRUZ INDUCTS NEW OFFICERS OF PeDRO



*Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz (extreme right) swears in the newly-elected officers of the Philippine Disaster Relief Organization (PeDRO) at the Philippine Consulate General on 09 January 2019.*

Los Angeles, 11 January 2019 – Philippine Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz led the induction ceremony of the newly-elected officers of Philippine Disaster Relief organization (PeDRO) at the Conference Hall of the Consulate General on 09 January 2019.



In his remarks, Consul General Cruz commended the organization for promoting solidarity among *kababayans* in Southern California, while remaining committed to sharing the blessings of their success with distressed compatriots back home.

*(Photo) Consul General Cruz (extreme left) and Deputy Consul General Ambrosio Brian F. Enciso III (extreme right) with PeDRO's new president Mr. Benito M. Miranda and his wife Ms. Becca Godinez (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>) and PeDRO's past president, Mr. Archerie G. Calunod and his wife Ms. Edith E. Sajor (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>).*

Consul General Cruz also commended PeDRO's previous president and chairman, Mr. Archerie G. Calunod, for his dedicated service to the organization. He also congratulated the new set of officers, led by Mr. Benito M. Miranda, for inspiring our kababayans to take upon themselves the mantle of public service and community-building.

PeDRO was established in Los Angeles in 2004 as a response of the community leaders to the call of the Philippine Consulate General to be part of the government's relief efforts for the victims of Typhoon *Nanmadol* which struck Quezon Province in November 2004.

The community-wide relief efforts led by PeDRO successfully raised \$42,000 and benefitted the communities in the worst-hit towns of Quezon Province in early 2005.



PeDRO, whose membership is composed of active leaders and members of various Fil-Am community leaders and members in Southern California, is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit corporation with tax exempt status.

To date, PeDRO continues to be active in undertaking projects for the victims of natural calamities in the Philippines. END.