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CONSULATE GENERAL TO HOST SONGSPELL PHILIPPINES *COME ALIVE* CONCERT IN LOS ANGELES IN MAY 2019



L-R: Ms. Imelda Espina, Mr. Melvin Ong, Ms. Mary Jane Tesoro, Atty. Sharlene Mae Bagon, Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz, Vice Consul Dyan Kristine Miranda-Pastrana, Cultura Officer Dolor Sales and Ms. Yolly Bagon met on 27 February 2019 to discuss Songspell Philippines' *Come Alive* concert in Los Angeles on 15 May 2019.

Los Angeles, 05 March 2019 – Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz and Vice Consul Dyan Pastrana met with officers of the Davao Association USA (DAUSA), led by its President, Ms. Mary Jane Tesoro, and Atty. Sharlene Mae Bagon of Bagon Law Firm on 27 February 2019 to discuss preparations for the concert of Songspell Philippines, Inc. in Los Angeles.

Consul General Cruz thanked DAUSA and Atty. Bagon for collaborating with the Consulate General in this project. The concert will be held at the Consulate General's Community Hall on 15 May 2019 as part of the celebration of the Philippine Heritage Month in May.

Songspell, an internationally-renowned performing group from Davao City, will be holding its 10th US Concert Tour entitled, *Come Alive*, from 14 May to 13 June 2019. The group is composed of 24 members, aged 5 to 18.

This year's *Come Alive* repertoire will include select Original Pilipino Music (OPM) songs and excerpts from the movie *The Greatest Showman*.

Aside from Los Angeles, the group is also slated to perform in Las Vegas, Atlanta, Washington DC, Maryland, Connecticut and New York.

Through the years, Songspell has supported various charitable institutions by donating a portion of the proceeds of their concert tours. For this year, their beneficiary is the DS Foundation for the Differently-Abled Inc., a non-profit, humanitarian organization in Davao City that provides services to children with Down syndrome, autism and cerebral palsy, among other disabilities. END.