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## **CONSUL GENERAL BADAJOS CONGRATULATES NEWLY-CONFIRMED CA ATTY GENERAL ROB BONTA**

On behalf of the women and men of the Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles, I wish to extend warmest felicitations to California Attorney General Rob Bonta on his confirmation through an overwhelming majority by the State legislature on 22 April 2021.

Our community takes pride and inspiration in AG Bonta's historic appointment as the first Filipino-American to assume this high-level and very important executive position in America's richest and most populous State.

The new California AG has a proven track record during his time a Assemblymember for championing advocacies such as phasing out the cash bail system, abolishing the death penalty, eradicating the use of private prisons and immigration detention centers, as well as protecting renters from wrongful evictions.

I am sure that AG Bonta's advocacies in his new position will enjoy widespread support from the good citizens of California and would best serve the needs and aspirations of a great majority of the populace.

Particularly, I look forward to his implementation of criminal justice reform, enhancing accountability of law enforcement, as well as addressing the continued upsurge of hate crimes targeting Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI), including our fellow Filipinos and Filipino-Americans.

I wish him all the best on this new chapter of his career as a fellow public servant.

Congratulations AG Rob and *mabuhay!*

**EDGAR B. BADAJOS**  
Consul General

*(N.B. Attorney General Robert Andres "Rob" Bonta was born in 1972 in Quezon City in the Philippines' National Capital Region. He immigrated to the United States with his family when he was only two months old. He is a U.S. citizen at birth through his father. In 2012, he served as Assemblymember for California's 18<sup>th</sup> District, covering the cities of Oakland, Alameda and Leandro.)*