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PHILCONGEN and CITY OF SAN DIEGO AGREE TO JOINTLY HOLD FIL-AM HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATIONS IN OCTOBER



21 July 2021, Los Angeles – Pursuing its mission to further deepen relations between the Philippine Consulate General and local governments under its jurisdiction, Consul General Edgar B. Badajos called on Mayor Todd Gloria of San Diego City in the morning of 19 July 2021.

During the call, Consul General Badajos congratulated Mayor Gloria for being the first Mayor in the City with Filipino ancestry. He also commended the Mayor for his commitment to make San Diego a more equitable place for all, including the more than 120,000 Filipinos and Filipino-Americans living in the City.

The Consul General took the opportunity to raise his concerns on rising anti-AAPI hate crimes and inquired of the Mayor's plans to address the issue. The mayor assured the Consulate General of the ability of the local police to respond to such incidents. He also mentioned the creation of the City's first Office of Race and Equity.

The two officials agreed to explore holding joint events in October to commemorate Filipino-American History Month.

Also present during the meeting were Councilmember Chris Cate and Philippine Honorary Consul in San Diego, Atty. Audie de Castro. **END.**