

**NINETEENTH COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN  
MARIANA ISLANDS YOUTH CONGRESS**

5TH REGULAR Session, 2024

Y.C. Res. No. 19- 09

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**A YOUTH CONGRESS RESOLUTION**

Commending Mr. Junseo Kim for winning the 2023 Northern Marianas Congressional Art competition held by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

1           **WHEREAS**, the intent of this Legislative body is to motivate and inspire  
2 young artists of the CNMI to continue creating beautiful art and bringing pride to  
3 the Northern Mariana Islands; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the Congressional Art Competition first began in 1982 to  
5 offer a chance for members of Congress to recognize artistic abilities of their young  
6 citizens; and

7           **WHEREAS**, over 650,000 high school students have participated within  
8 this nationwide competition; and

9           **WHEREAS**, each Spring, members of the U.S. House representatives host  
10 the Congressional art competition which involves art work types that include  
11 media, oil, charcoal, watercolor, pencil, photographs, collages, and computer-  
12 generated art; and

13           **WHEREAS**, U.S. Congressman Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan hosted  
14 the Congressional Art Competition for the CNMI; and

15           **WHEREAS**, out of 17 entries submitted by high school students in the  
16 Northern Mariana Islands, Junseo Kim was the winner of the 2023 Northern  
17 Marianas Congressional Art Competition; and

1           **WHEREAS**, Junseo Kim’s work titled ‘Bird of the Sea’ illustrates a sea  
2 turtle swimming and delving within the beauty of the ocean, having fins with  
3 similar features to the wings of a bird; and

4           **WHEREAS**, Junseo Kim’s artwork was constructed utilizing watercolor  
5 and colored pencil that brought his work to life; and

6           **WHEREAS**, Junseo Kim’s piece will be displayed at the U.S. Capitol in  
7 Washington, D.C. for one year where he will be invited to attend this year’s  
8 Congressional Art Competition National Reception; and

9           **WHEREAS**, Junseo Kim’s artistic accomplishments brings tremendous  
10 pride to himself, family, Saipan International School and the CNMI; and

11           **WHEREAS**, the Youth Congress uplifts all students and young artists to  
12 continue perfecting their craft and honoring the CNMI through their art; and

13           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Nineteenth  
14 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Youth Congress, that the Youth  
15 Congress recognizes and commemorates Mr. Junseo Kim for his influence and  
16 motivating artistic performance in the 2023 Northern Marianas Congressional Art  
17 Competition; and

18           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sponsor of this Resolution or the  
19 designee of the Speaker of the Youth Congress shall present a certified original  
20 copy of this Youth Congress Resolution to Mr. Junseo Kim; and

21           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the Youth Congress  
22 shall certify, and the Youth Congress Legislative Secretary shall attest to the  
23 adoption of this resolution and thereafter shall transmit a certified copy to Dr.  
24 Ronald Snyder, Headmaster at the Saipan International School; the Honorable  
25 Edmund S. Villagomez, Speaker of the House of Representatives (23rd Northern  
26 Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); Honorable Edith E. DeLeon Guerrero,  
27 President of the Senate (23rd Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); the  
28 Honorable Arnold I. Palacios, Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern

- 1 Mariana Islands; and the Honorable Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan, CNMI
- 2 Delegate to the House of Representatives (118th United States Congress).

Date: 1/15/2024<sup>09</sup>

Introduced by: *fae*  
Senator Soledad Maria T. Sablan