CONSUL GENERAL INDUCTS OFFICERS OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS (ZAMNAI)

Despite heavy snow and freezing temperatures in the Midwest, the atmosphere at the induction ceremonies organized by the Zamboanga del Norte Association of Illinois (ZAMNAI) at the Lone Tree Manor Banquet Hall in Niles, Illinois on January 19, 2019 was sunny. Philippine Consul General Gina Jamoralin inducted into office the 2019 officers and board members of ZAMNAI led by incoming president, Mr. Ric Palconayo. The outgoing president, Mr. Dominador Santos, Jr. and founding president, Mr. Ber Refugio thanked the ZAMNAI members for their support through the years in making ZAMNAI a vibrant Fil-Am organization in Illinois.

Consul General Jamoralin delivered her remarks lauding ZAMNAI for its active engagement in the community and its support to the first ever, "Paskuhan sa Chicago" in Seafood City on December 15, 2018 where ZAMNAI is one of the twenty (20) Fil-Am organizations who joined the 2018 Paskuhan sa Chicago Planning Committee.

Consul General Jamoralin thanked the group for its commitment to promote Philippine culture and to promote unity among its members. She invited them to join the 2019 VIP Tour to the Philippines on July 14-21, 2019 to visit Palawan, Clark, Bataan and Manila as part of a US-wide tourism project of the Philippine Department of Tourism, Department of Foreign Affairs and Philippine Foreign Service Posts in the United States. She also urged those registered as Philippine Overseas Voter to vote in the upcoming May midterm elections in the Philippines through postal voting administered by the Philippine Consulate in Chicago. END
Consul General Jamoralin delivering her remarks while Emcee Ms. Joy Martell looks on.

Consul General Jamoralin receives a plaque of appreciation from ZAMNAI, with outgoing ZAMNAI president, Dominador Santos, Jr (left), and incoming president, Ric Palconayo (right).
Consul General Jamoralin administers the oath of the 2019 ZAMNAI Officers and Board Members.

Posing with new officers and board members after the induction.