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CITY OF DREAMS MANILA'S CHEFS BAG 22 MEDALS AT THE 2024 PHILIPPINE CULINARY CUP

August 30, 2024 – The culinary skills of City of Dreams Manila's chef-delegates to the 2024 Philippine Culinary Cup shone bright at the competition, with the 17-man team bagging a total of 22 medals at the four-day competition during the World Food Expo held at the SMX Convention Center.

"We commend the prestigious achievements of our culinary team at the 2024 Philippine Culinary Cup. These medals attest to the exemplary skills and versatility of our chefs, whose expertise and talents make the difference in the diverse cuisines offered in our outlets and banquets. They are pivotal in making our property a sought-after dining destination by our customers and are well-loved in the workplace where they also offer a well-planned 24/7 buffet in the colleagues dining room," Property President Geoff Andres said.

Headlining the integrated resort's winners in various categories are:

Gold: Roberto Gapas Jr. (ChowDown employee dining outlet), US Lamb competition; Krizia De Jesus together with Farrah Cacapit (Chocol8 at Café Society), Chocolate Pastry Showpiece.

Silver: The trio of Rier Maverick Franco, Jeffrey Casauay (both in Banquet Events), and Ruben Rivamonte Jr. (Pastry) along with Haliya's trio comprised of Jiro Flora, John Christian Torrano and Deonito Alas, in two separate Dream Team Challenge events; Lee Chia Lok (Season 88), US Lamb, and Mary Apple Delantar (Pastry), Wedding Cake. Franco (Banquet Events) took another Silver for Creative Breakfast.

Bronze: The quad team of Jeffrey Casauay and Brett Michael Nalog (Banquet Events) and Haliya duo of Torrano and Fritz Restar, Filipino cuisine; Margarita Matias (Season 88), Creative Breakfast, Garie Bautista (Pastry), Bread Pastry Showpiece; Frederick John Lim (Banquet Events), US Pork; Johnny Iglesias (Banquet Events), Poultry; and Rivamonte Jr. (Pastry), French Touch Challenge for Dessert.

Of this year's winners, Rier Maverick Franco also won a gold medal and a silver medal in the 2019 competition; as did Jeffrey Casauay, silver awardee.

Endorsed by the World Association of Chefs Societies, the Philippine Culinary Cup has been known over the years as a prestigious culinary competition in the Philippines, providing Filipino chefs an internationally recognized platform to hone and showcase their culinary talents. The event was organized by LTB Chefs Association of the Philippines, the Pastry Alliance of the Philippines, and PEPTarsus Corp.

For more information on the luxury integrated resort, visit www.cityofdreamsmanila.com.

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About City of Dreams Manila

City of Dreams Manila, which opened in February 2015 is at the gateway to Entertainment City in Parañaque and part of the Aseana City township development.

The resort features: modern gaming spaces including VIP and premium mass gaming facilities Qi Long and Sky Gaming; three Forbes Travel Guide (FTG)-rated luxury hotel brands: Nüwa Manila (Five-Star since 2018), Nobu Hotel (Four-Star since 2018) and Hyatt Regency Manila City of Dreams (Four-Star since 2017); health and wellness facilities that include Nüwa Spa (FTG Five-Star since 2020) and Nobu Spa; more than 20 restaurants and bars; The Shops at the Boulevard; and distinctive entertainment venues -- DreamPlay, the world's first DreamWorks-themed family entertainment center, and CenterPlay a contemporary entertainment bar at the focal point of the main gaming floor.

Forbes Travel Guide also named City of Dreams Manila in 2022, the winner of the Work Here, Work Happy, an accolade which distinguished the resort's "employee love" initiatives at the annual Best of the Year Awards. It also named the resort in 2023, one of only three Finalists in the inaugural 2023 Responsible Hospitality Award for outstanding commitment to sustainable practices at the luxury level, a recognition which amplifies the prestigious ASEAN Green Hotel Award for 2022-2024 presented to the resort's three luxury hotels. The resort is also recognized with RG Check for Responsible Gaming through the accreditation received by Melco for its properties in all its jurisdictions of operations.

The resort is cited in 2024 as a Travelers' Choice Award Winner as among the Top 10% worldwide in customer reviews by Tripadvisor, the world's largest travel guidance platform, and is ranked eighth in the Travel + Leisure Luxury Awards Asia-Pacific, among the Ten Best Integrated Resorts in Asia, for excellence in travel and hospitality.

World Travel Awards, a prestigious awards program in the international travel industry, named City of Dreams Manila as World's Leading Casino Resort from 2020 to 2023, and the World's Leading Fully Integrated Resort in 2023.

For more information, please visit www.cityofdreamsmanila.com.

About Melco Resorts and Entertainment (Philippines) Corporation

Integrated casino developer Melco Resorts and Entertainment (Philippines) Corporation ("MRP") is a subsidiary of Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited (NASDAQ:"MLCO"), the developer, owner and operator of casino gaming and entertainment casino resort facilities in Asia and Europe. MRP's subsidiary, Melco Resorts Leisure (PHP) Corporation ("Melco Leisure"), which developed City of Dreams Manila together with SM Investments Corporation, Belle Corporation and Premium Leisure Amusement, Inc., operates and manages the luxury integrated resort.

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