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MESSAGE

Kudos to the officers and members of <u>Larap Philippine Iron Mines Association</u> (LAPIMA), Inc. on the occasion of its 30th founding anniversary celebration on 22 April 2017. You have gone a long way.

Remarkable indeed is the fact that the Philippine Iron Mines' (PIM) closure had open opportunities for its former employees and contractors as well as their families to remain connected. This is by uniting your selves through the founding of LAPIMA amidst the evident gap of subdivision brought by the closing of PIM - then renowned largest iron mines in Asia established in Brgy. Larap, Jose Panganiban.

Similarly, I salute LAPIMA for keeping the flames of Filipinos genuine 'bayanihan' spirit alive by continuously touching the lives of its members particularly the most disadvantaged.

Congratulations and I wish you success in your noble mission to be of great service to the LAPIMA community which we hope you will likewise extend to our hapless 'kababayans' in the years to come.

Again, happy 30th anniversary LAPIMA. May you continue to serve as the ever-flowing unique mine source of unity, cooperation and longevity. MABUHAY!

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