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Dear Community Leaders,

The Board of Directors and Officers of the Filipino International Community of America (FICA) are pleased to inform you of the hosting of the **2<sup>nd</sup> Outstanding Parents' Awards and Gala** on Saturday, July 21, 2018 at the Ramada Plaza Hotel, 160-A Frontage Road, Newark NJ 07114 from 1- 5 PM

National Parents' Day became law in 1994, when President Bill Clinton established the Fourth Sunday of July as a recurring and perennial day of commemoration. Since then, churches and community groups across the country have held annual activities designed to celebrate and strengthen families and to honor outstanding parents in their communities.

This is the time to recognize and celebrate the very best people who have given sacrificially of their lives, including their time, financial and emotional resources, and more, to fulfill that uniquely special and God given role of being a father and mother.

If you know outstanding parents in your organization or community who qualify to this very important award, please nominate them immediately for consideration. The following are the criteria for Outstanding Parents' Awards nominees:

1. Exemplify qualities of sacrificial love;
2. Have overcome major obstacles (emotional, physical, financial, etc.) to provide for the personal development and happiness of children;
3. Exhibit qualities of personal moral virtue and/or religious commitment; and
4. Have a noteworthy record of contributions to the family and community.

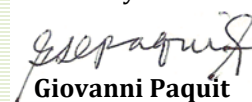
Attached is the nomination form for your use. Please note that the deadline of submission of nomination is on or before June 23, 2018. From among the nominees, the selection committee will vote for 21 couples who will receive the prestigious recognition and one as the Most Outstanding Parents of the Year 2018.

Thank you and we are very excited to hear from you soon. If you have questions or need more information, please do not hesitate to contact Elena Bahian, VP For External Affairs at (718) 210-7847 or myself at (732) 318-9469.

Very truly yours,

  
**Emiljun Rapada**  
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