25 July 2013

Hon. Sonny Belmonte, MP

Speaker, Philippine House of Representatives Vice Chairperson, Liberal Party of the Philippines

Dear Speaker Belmonte:

On behalf of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD), we would like to extend our warmest congratulations to you on your election as Speaker of the House of the Republic of the Philippines.

We would also like to commend you for the breakthrough legislative performace you led during the last Congress, which truly reflected your dedication to public service and legislative reforms.

We trust that your stewardship of the 16th Congress will be a testament of a true liberal leadership that upholds the rule of law and promotes good governance. We believe that your steadfast commitment to the service of the Filipino people would continue to push for the legislative agenda of President Noynoy Aquino and would further help build the trust of the people in the House of Representatives.

Once again, we send our very best wishes and felicitations. We look forward to meeting you again in CALD's 20th anniversary celebrations in Manila on 8-11 November 2013.

Very truly yours,

Sam Rainsy

Chair

J.R. Nereus Acosta

Secretary General