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A NIGHT OF UNITY AND RENEWAL: NAFFAA NV ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

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Las Vegas, NV — The National Federation of Filipino American Associations Nevada (NaFFAA NV) proudly announces the successful election of its new officers for the 2026–2027 term.

The highly anticipated election of officers drew an unprecedented number of members, reflecting the strong engagement and commitment of the Filipino American community in Nevada. The office of the President was highly contested, with two strong candidates: the current Vice President, Doc Mike StaJuana, brought continuity, new beginnings in new projects; and the former Treasurer, Ferdie Ponce, who later served as President of another organization, offered fresh perspectives and a proven track record of service. Both candidates campaigned actively, inspiring members to participate in record numbers.

In a testament to the strength of both campaigns 99 ballots were cast, and the outcome was decided by the slimmest of margins. By just one vote, the current Vice President was elected as the new president of NaFFAA Nevada. The result underscores the vibrancy of democratic participation within NaFFAA NV and the dedication of its members to shaping the future of the organization. Despite the intensity of the contest, the evening ended on a note of unity. Members congratulated one another, underscoring the shared commitment on advancing NaFFAA's mission regardless of the election's outcome.

The offices of Vice President ANNA LADAO, Secretary CIRIMILLE PAGLINAWAN SCAGGS, and Treasurer CIN CIN LANDEROS were elected by acclamation as their candidacy had no opposition.

"I will set aside other interests and devote my full energy to moving our organization to the next level. Working hand in hand with President de Joya has shaped my perspectives and prepared me for this moment. I will work with this incredible team of officers and launch new programs that empowers our youth; supports our families that showcases the richness of our heritage and ensure NaFFAA NV continues to be a strong voice for unity and progress," professed President Elect Doc Mike StaJuana.

THE NEW LEADERSHIP TEAM have been serving under the current administration and were elevated to higher positions in this election. "Their collective experience ensures continuity in leadership while bringing fresh energy and vision to NaFFAA-NV as they take on expanded responsibilities for the 2026-2027 term," expressed outgoing President, Jacque de Joya with great pride.

"NaFFAA NV and I personally extend our gratitude to all members who took part in the election process and reaffirms its commitment to advancing the interests of Filipino Americans in Nevada through advocacy, community service, and leadership development," President de Joya further expressed.

ABOUT NAFFAA NV:

The National Federation of Filipino American Associations (NaFFAA) is the largest national umbrella organization for Filipino Americans in the United States. NaFFAA NV represents the Nevada chapter, working to empower the community through civic engagement, leadership, and advocacy.



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