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## Filipino Community In Greenwich, Connecticut Celebrates Philippine Independence Day



Members of the Filipino Community in Greenwich, CT, together with Selectman John Toner, in their Barongs and Filipiniana (Photoby NYPCG)

13June 2019, New York City – The Connecticut Association of Filipino and American Families together with members of other Fil-Am organizations in Connecticut, commemorated the 121<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Philippine Independence by holding its annual Philippine flag-raising ceremony at the town hall of Greenwich, Connecticut (CT) at 8:30 this morning. Selectman John Toner of the Board of Selectmen of Greenwich, CT, recalled the enduring friendship of the Philippines and the United States. As a volunteer of Greenwich Hospital, where he regularly encounters Filipino medical practitioners, he also praised Filipinos for their professionalism and work ethic. On the other hand, Vice Consul Tanya Faye O. Ramiro, who represented the Philippine Consulate General in New York, said, "It has been more than 121 years since we have transcended our colonial past, and

Filipinos, wherever they may be in the world, are now making their own history." Cheers of "Mabuhay!" concluded the ceremony.

The yearly commemoration of Philippine Independence Day,in the very premises of the town hall of Greenwich, CT,is a testament, indeed, to the enduring friendship of the Philippines and the United States. **END.** 



Selectman John Toner speaks about the enduring friendship between the Philippines and the United States of America (Photo by NYPCG)



Vice Consul Tanya Faye O. Ramiro greets everyone a Happy Philippine Independence Day! (Photo by NYPCG)