FILIPINO COMMUNITY LEADERS IN ST. LOUIS WELCOME CONSUL GENERAL JAMORALIN

Leaders of various Filipino community organizations in St. Louis gave a warm Midwestern welcome to Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin who visited the city for the first time on September 19.



Consul General Jamoralin, seated, is joined for a photo opportunity by Ms. Ronni Watkins, FAAMO President, and other Filipino community leaders in St. Louis who hosted a luncheon meeting in her honor.

Arriving for a scheduled meeting with Missouri Governor Michael L. Parson, Consul General Jamoralin, accompanied by DCG Romulo Victor Israel Jr., took the opportunity to touch base with the Filipino community represented by the leaders of the Filipino American Association of Missouri (FAAMO), Philippine Medical Association (PMA), Philippine Nurses Association (PNA), Philippine Community Center, Inc. (PCCI) and Gawad Kalinga (GK).

The luncheon meeting held at YaYa's Bistro provided an excellent venue for the Consul General to update the community on various programs of the Philippine Consulate General. Among the highlights of their discussion were the importance of the upcoming US midterm elections in November and Philippine national elections next year. Consul General Jamoralin also spoke about the promising opportunities for economic cooperation between the Philippines and Missouri.

The Youth Leaders in Diaspora (YouLeaD) Immersion Program for young Filipino-Americans in the Midwest on 3-9 January 2019 and a possible consular outreach service in April 2019 were also discussed. **END**