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WEST ORANGE, N.J. (May 19) — An enthusiastic crowd of Filipino-Americans from the Northeastern part of the U.S. welcomed Vice President Leni Robredo in a luncheon event

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organized by CFC ANCOP USA Northeast Region held at Highlawn Pavilion in this New Jersey suburban township about 18 miles from New York City.

The attendees, who came mostly from a cross-section of the Filipino-American community, gave Vice President Robredo a rousing and respectful welcome worthy of the second highest official of their native country.

In her address, the Vice President thanked ANCOP USA Northeast for organizing and inviting her to the event aimed at raising funds for the health center of Calabanga, Camarines Sur, impoverished municipality in the VP's home province.

She also thanked those who attended.

"I am glad I met all of you and I'm grateful to all," she said.

She introduced her audience to "Angat-Buhay" (Partnership against poverty), a poverty-alleviation program started and administered by the Office of the Vice President (OVP).

"Angat-Buhay has no budget from the government. We depend on private donations from companies and NGO's like ANCOP. Earlier this year, ANCOP gave us medicines and multi-vitamins which we distributed to the needy citizens of Parañaque City," she cited.

VP Leni, as she is frequently referred to, reported that Angat-Buhay, from inception in October 2016 to-date, has served some 132,000 poor families in 176 places around the Philippines.

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