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York Central Hospital Family Celebrates Filipino Culture with a fiesta!

Richmond Hill, ON: York Central Hospital was pleased to host a Filipino Fiesta today to enable staff of Filipino descent to showcase their culture for the benefit of all staff, patients and families. Included in the agenda was traditional singing, dancing and food. Also in attendance and speaking at the opening of the event was the Consul General from the Philippines, Mr. Mr. Alejandro B. Mosquera.

“If there are three things Filipino people love, they are singing, dancing and good food,” said Paulina Gonzalez, Clinical Practice Leader in the hospital’s Chronic Kidney disease program. “This event shows camaraderie and cooperation among the staff of Filipino descent and we are proud to show our unique cultural traditions and heritage. Did you know that there are approximately 180 staff members from across the organization who are of Filipino descent?”

“Events like this show the diversity of our hospital and our local community,” added Bruce Harber, Hospital President and CEO. “We are proud to acknowledge and celebrate the cultures of our staff and community and thank the committees for organizing these events for the benefit of all our team members.”

Organized and funded by York Central Hospital staff of Filipino descent, this event is one of many held throughout the year to celebrate various cultural traditions and festivities. Other recent festivities have included: Chinese New Year, Black History Month, Diwali and Norooz. York Central Hospital reflects the diversity of the community it serves with more than 48 languages spoken by members of our health care team.

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