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Kapampangans honor 'MVP' today

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ANGELES CITY -- It will be a homecoming for Manuel V. Pangilinan today when he visits Pampanga to receive an honorary doctorate from the Holy Angel University.

One of the country's top technocrats will receive the degree Doctor of Humanities, honoris causa, "for reinventing and innovating the telecommunications industry, thus improving the lives of millions of Filipinos and redefining culture itself," the citation reads.

He will also be cited "for upgrading cor-



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Company (PLDT) and Smart Communi-

porate standards in the Philippines and Asia and for providing that providing service and value to the clientele can go hand in hand with profitability," as well as "for his personal work ethic and discipline, which he acquired from traditional Filipino and Kapampangan upbringing and from his Catholic education and training."

The Chairman and CEO of the Philippine Long Distance Telephone

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cations did not grow up in Pampanga, but his father hailed from Apalit town.

The Archbishop of San Fernando, Most Rev.

Paciano B. Aniceto, Chairman of the HAU Board of Trustees, and administrators of Holy Angel University will join ranking local government, business and industry leaders in welcoming Pangilinan to-

day.

"The conferment of honorary doctorate is the first in our school's history," Robby Tangingco, AVP for Student Services and Affairs and Director of the Center for Kapampangan

Studies, said. "We are glad it's Mr. Pangilinan, because his personal accomplishments, social commitment and advocacies are an inspiration to his fellow Kapampangans."