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Resilience and Familism: The Dynamic Nature of Families in the Philippines

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The Philippines is a unique country, and its distinct history and culture provide an intriguing context for families. Comprised of over 7,000 islands, the Philippines has been visited by numerous groups in its prehistoric times, while over the past five centuries, Spanish colonization influenced the course of Filipino culture, particularly in regards to religion. Even after the formal establishment of the Republic of the Philippines in 1946, American cultural influence persisted. Its long history, coupled with its peculiar population distribution across thousands of islands, has resulted in a culture which is decidedly familistic. Filipino families maintain perhaps the strongest family bonds of any culture, and have shown a unique ability to persevere, even when faced with the most dire of circumstances.

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This volume of CPFR with be coedited by Clarence M. Batan of University of Santo Tomas (Manila), Sampson Lee Blair of The State University of New York (Buffalo), and Veronica L. Gregorio (National University of Singapore). Manuscripts should be submitted directly to the editors (cmbatan@ust.edu.ph, slbair@buffalo.edu, and v.gregorio@u.nus.edu), preferably in MS WORD format. Manuscripts should not exceed approximately 40 double-spaced pages (not including tables, figures, and references). Submission of a manuscript implies commitment to publish in CPFR. Manuscripts should adhere to the APA format. Manuscripts should represent previously unpublished work. An abstract of 150-250 words should be included at the beginning of each manuscript. All manuscripts will undergo peer review. There are no fees, and all authors will receive hard copies and electronic access to the volume.

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