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GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY AT MANUEL V. GALLEGO FOUNDATION COLLEGES:

A NEW ERA BEGINS

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On August 14, 2024, the Manuel V. Gallego Foundation College (MVGFC) marked a pivotal moment in its history with the groundbreaking ceremony for a new building, heralding the dawn of a new era for the institution. The event, steeped in symbolism and promise, was a celebration of progress, vision, and the unwavering commitment to education and community development.



Sealing Our Legacy: This time capsule captures our hopes, dreams, and milestones, to be rediscovered by future generations as they witness the foundation we laid today



Leading with Strength: Our President lays the foundation for a future built on resilience, vision, and unwavering leadership.

The brainchild behind this transformative project, Dr. Joseph L. Gallego, spoke with eloquence and heartfelt emotion during the ceremony when he declared, "This building is not just a structure". "It is a historic and symbolic edifice that represents our collective hope for future development. This is just the beginning—our first step in what will be a series of advancements for this campus."

Dr. Gallego's words resonated deeply with those in attendance, as he envisioned the new building as a symbol of perseverance, dedication, and the relentless pursuit of excellence that has defined MVGFC. His vision extends far beyond the physical structure, embodying a commitment to nurturing future generations and fostering an environment where dreams can flourish.

The construction of the building has been entrusted to Paver Construction, a team renowned for its dedication to quality and sustainability. The representatives from Paver Construction emphasized their commitment to creating a structure that would stand the test of time, stating, "Our team is determined to build a project that is sustainable, long-lasting, and, if possible, eco-friendly. We should go much beyond 100 years." Their pledge to ensure the building's durability and safety for the next century highlights the lasting impact this project is intended to have on the college and its community.



Representative of PAVER Construction and MVGFC on a symbolic time capsule burial.



Breaking Ground, Building Dreams: The official start of our journey towards a brighter future.

The ceremony was graced by the presence of several key personalities from MVGFC, including Dr. Paolo T. Lumanlan (Dean of the Institute of Teacher Education/ Director for Quality Assurance and Enhancements), Dr. Raymond Tabajonda (Dean of the Institute of Criminal Justice Education), Dr. Arnel Sevilla (Dean of the Institute of Information and Communications Technology/ Registrar), Dr. Luzviminda Bundoc (OIC, Dean of the Institute of Business Management), Dr. Luckyhansell Cerezo (Dean of the Institute of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences), and Rachelle P. Musngi, MEd (Principal of the High School Department). Directors of various units, including Executive Officer Estenily M. Peralta, also attended, underscoring the significance of this milestone for the entire institution.



Championing Excellence: President JLG's unwavering commitment to advancing higher education, empowering future leaders, and fostering innovation for a brighter tomorrow.

The event, meticulously organized by the MVGFC Marketing Office under the leadership of Mrs. Arlyn Pahuriray, was a testament to the college's commitment to excellence and forward-thinking. The ceremony concluded with the burial of a symbolic time capsule, a gesture that encapsulates the hopes and aspirations of the college community for future generations.

As the first shovelfuls of earth were turned, it became clear that this was more than just the beginning of a construction project. It was the beginning of a new chapter in the storied history of the Manuel V. Gallego Foundation Colleges—one that promises growth, innovation, and a bright future for all who walk through its doors.

