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## SPECIAL EDITION

# MARCOS, ISKO, MANNY IN A TIGHT RACE FOR PRESIDENCY IN A NEW SURVEY

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IN A recent survey implemented by the RP Mission and Development (RPMD) on November 16-24, 2021, the top three presidential choices, in descending order, were former Senator Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr., Manila Mayor Isko Moreno and Senator Manny Pacquiao.

Bongbong Marcos

(BBM) got first place with 23.94%, followed by Isko Moreno in second and still in the consecutive top picks with 21.75%, and Manny Pacquiao came in third with 15.94%.

Meanwhile, Vice President Leni Robredo scored at 15.10%, making her fourth, followed by Bong Go in fifth, who secured 14.25%.

Moreno still has the solid vote in the National Capital Region (NCR) with 30.18%, against Marcos’ 28.85%, having Pacquiao leading the Visayas region with 20.52% and Mindanao region with 24.84%.

The remaining 2.56% of the respon-

dents either refused to answer or were undecided. The survey was conducted in face to face interviews with 10,000 respondents taken from the 61,843,730 registered voters. The margin of error is 2+/- with a 95% confidence level.

In Cebu, Marcos has visited both Cebu Gov. Gwendolyn Garcia and her

opponent, former tourism secretary Joseph Ace Durano.

Marcos is also strongly supported by former Cebu City Councilor Erik Espina, son of the late Cebu governor and former senator Rene Espina. Rene was a strong leader of Marcos’ father, President Ferdinand E. Marcos.

The strong backing of Marcos by several sectors is phenomenal with millions of Visayans who believe that history will judge a person.

In Cebu, the elder Marcos is appreciated for constructing the first Mactan-Mandaue Bridge that con-

nects mainland Cebu to Mactan-Cebu International Airport (MCIAA).

President Marcos is also admired for creating Mactan Export Processing Zone Administration (MEPZA), now Mactan Economic Zone (MEZ) with P3 billion annual payroll money that has contributed so much for Cebu’s growth. *CBW*

