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RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE MANILA WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR WINNING THE BIG LEAGUE SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN, USA, LAST 09 AUGUST 2012

WHEREAS, the Manila Women's Softball Team of the Philippines took home the country's first Big League Softball World Series Title by winning the Championship held in Vandenberg Park, Kalamazoo, Michigan, United States of America (USA) last 09 August 2012 (Thursday), Philippine Standard Time (PST); WHEREAS, the Philippine Team, which represented the Asia-Pacific Region, dominated the United States-West representative Westchester, California, with a lopsided 14-2 victory, in a championship match telecast nationally in the USA, with the game beamed by ESPN2 Sports worldwide;

WHEREAS, the Philippine softball team, consisting of thirteen (13) players who are varsity players from Adamson University, University of Santo Tomas (UST), University of the East (UE) and the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP), almost did not make it to the World Series due to lack of government funding, showing up just a day before the opening without the full complement of fifteen (15) players in its squad;

WHEREAS, the team managed to participate in the tournament and showed the whole world the perseverance, moral courage and competitive spirit of Filipinos, relying principally on the generosity of supporters, including the Filipino-American community in Kalamazoo;

WHEREAS, the Manila Women's Softball Team, managed by Ms. Ana Santiago and assisted by George Barredo and Sherrylou Valenzuela, dedicated its triumph to the countless Filipinos affected by the recent devastating floods because in an extraordinary turn of events, its victory was actually achieved at about the same time that the Philippines battled with the massive floods brought about by the heavy rainfall due to the southwest monsoon induced by Typhoon *Gener*;

WHEREAS, this signal achievement is expected to encourage and boost the public's interest in amateur sports like softball and baseball, where Filipinos can actually perform well, dominate and excel;

WHEREAS, this exceptional showing and unparalleled achievement of the Manila Women's Softball Team deserves to be congratulated and that its officials and players deserve the highest commendation for the honor, pride and recognition they have brought to our country and our people: Now, therefore, be it Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, To congratulate and commend the Manila Women's Softball Team of the Philippines, for winning the Big League Softball World Series Championship held in Kalamazoo, Michigan, United States of America (USA) last 09 August 2012 (PST).

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This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 15, 2012.

EMMA LIRIO-REVIES Secretary of the Senate

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