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## RESOLUTION No. 117

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION ON LEADING THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO A HISTORIC HAUL OF FOUR MEDALS IN THE 2020 SUMMER OLYMPICS HELD IN TOKYO, JAPAN, FROM 23 JULY 2021 TO 8 AUGUST 2021

WHEREAS, in several occasions, the Senate of the Philippines has honored outstanding Filipinos for bringing pride and glory to the country by claiming triumphs in international sporting competitions;

WHEREAS, established on 24 January 1990, the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), presently headed by

Chairman William "Butch" Ramirez, is the primary governmental agency dedicated to the development of Philippine sports and the growth of Filipino athletes;

WHEREAS, the PSC started raising funds for the Tokyo Olympics bid of the national athletes as early as 2017 and, in June 2019, approved a budget of P46.2 million for the airfare, hotel and accommodation, allowances, and pandemic-related expenses such as COVID-19 testing, quarantine accommodation, and treatment insurance of our nineteen (19) Olympic qualifiers for the 2020 Summer Olympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan, from 23 July to 8 August 2021;

WHEREAS, along with the Philippine Olympic Committee and private donors, the PSC's support helped our Olympic qualifiers prepare for the 2020 Summer Olympics even in the midst of the pandemic and the postponement of the games to 2021, and encourage them to become the strongest and most prepared Philippine Olympic delegation yet;

WHEREAS, the Philippine delegation to the 2020 Summer Olympic Games made history by bringing home one (1) gold, two (2) silvers, and one (1) bronze medal for a total of four (4) medals, a multi-medal feat that has never before been achieved since the Philippines began competing in the Olympics in 1924;

WHEREAS, with a team of only nineteen (19) athletes, the Philippines was able to garner four (4) medals: Ms. Hidilyn Diaz won gold in the women's 55-kilogram weightlifting event, Ms. Nesthy Petecio and Mr. Carlo Paalam both won silver in the women's featherweight and men's flyweight boxing events respectively, and Mr. Eumir Marcial won bronze in the men's middleweight division in boxing;

WHEREAS, the PSC has proven time and again that it has remained true to its vision, and that it is a reliable support system for our athletes, ensuring that they would be in the best shape and provided the best training, especially in anticipation of the 2020 Summer Olympics;

WHEREAS, the PSC deserves commendation for their hand in nurturing our home-grown athletes and paving the way for the Philippine delegation's historic triumph in the 2020 Summer Olympic Games: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, To congratulate and commend the Philippine Sports Commission on leading the Philippine delegation to a historic haul of four medals in the 2020 Summer Olympics held in Tokyo, Japan, from 23 July 2021 to 8 August 2021.

Adopted,

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President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 1, 2021.

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Secretary of the Senate