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## A RESOLUTION

COMMENDING MIA ALLYSON HOWELL OF THE PHILIPPINE FENCING ASSOCIATION FOR WINNING THE SILVER MEDAL IN THE WOMEN'S FOIL INDIVIDUAL CATEGORY AND HER TEAMMATES NAMELY, JAMIE NICANOR, JUSTINE GAIL TINIO, AND ANDREA IGNACIO FOR BAGGING THE BRONZE MEDAL IN THE WOMEN'S FOIL TEAM CATEGORY AT THE 2009 ASIAN JUNIOR AND CADET CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN SINGAPORE ON JULY 16-21, 2009, THEREBY BRINGING HONOR AND PROVIDING AN INSPIRATION TO OUR NATION.

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 13 provides that "the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry";

WHEREAS, the 2009 Asian Junior and Cadet Championships, an annual fencing event, was held in Singapore from July 16-21, 2006 with over 600 participants from 24 countries who dueled in six categories;

WHEREAS, 18 year-old Mia Allyson Howell of the Philippine Fencing Association has made the country proud by bringing home the silver medal in the women's foil individual category at the 2009 Asian Junior and Cadet Championship under the supervision of their head coach, Venerando dela Cruz Garcia;

WHEREAS, Mia Howell and her teammates namely, Jamie Nicanor, Justine Gail Tinio, Andrea Ignacio, also won the bronze medal for the women's foil team category, thereby establishing the global competitiveness and potentials of our young Filipino fencers;

WHEREAS, the outstanding performance of the Philippine Fencing Team serves as an inspiration to the Filipino people to persevere and succeed in similar endeavors, making their achievement worthy of emulation and recognition;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Philippine Senate commends Mia Allyson Howell of the Philippine Fencing Association for winning a silver medal in the women's foil individual category and her teammates namely, Jamie Nicanor, Justine Gail Tinio, and Andrea Ignacio for bagging the bronze medal in the women's foil team category at the 2009 Asian Junior and Cadet Championship held in Singapore from July 16-21, 2009, thereby bringing honor and providing an inspiration to our nation.

Adopted,

M A H ROXAS Senator