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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON GAMES, AMUSEMENT AND SPORTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE PREPARATIONS BEING CONDUCTED BY THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION (PSC) AND THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (POC), IN THE NEARING INTERNATIONAL SPORTING EVENTS PARTICULARLY THE 2004 OLYMPICS IN ATHENS, GREECE; 2006 ASIAN GAMES IN DOHA, QATAR; AND THE 2005 SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEA GAMES) IN MANILA, PHILIPPINES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ASSURING THE COUNTRY'S SUCCESSFUL PARTICIPATION IN THESE NEARING INTERNATIONAL SPORTING MEETS AS WELL AS THE COUNTRY'S READINESS IN HOSTING THE SEA GAMES NEXT YEAR

WHEREAS, the Philippines is committed to compete in the following international sports events:


- (1) SEA Games every two years wherein the next will be hosted by the Philippines in August 2005;
- (2) ASIAN Games every four years preceding the SEA Games, namely 2006, 2010, and 2014; and
- (3) Olympic Games every four years after the Sydney Olympics in 2000, namely 2004 Athens Olympics and the 2008 Olympiad;

WHEREAS, our country only ranks 4th in the Southeast Asian Games since we started joining the bi-annual meet in 1977 and a worst 18th place finish during the last 2002 Asian Games in Busan, South Korea;

WHEREAS, the Philippines' satisfactory hosting of and 91-gold medal harvest in the 1991 Manila SEA Games showed the nation that the combination of (a) excellent training of gold medal level athletes; (b) sufficient funding, incentives for gold medalists; and (c) adequate preparations for the competitions by the National Sports Associations in cooperation with the public sector and the media contributed to the overall success of the 1991 SEA Games;

WHEREAS, an orderly and remarkable hosting of the SEA Games in Manila in August next year, will reflect on the country's reputation in the international community;

WHEREAS, the interest of every citizen is at stake in ensuring efficient utilization of government funds for the preparation of our athletes in their training as well as the country's hosting of the 2005 SEA Games in Manila;



NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,
to direct the Committee on Games, Amusement and Sports to conduct an inquiry in aid of legislation into the preparations being conducted by the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) and the Philippine Olympic Committee (POC), in the nearing international sporting events particularly the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece; 2006 Asian Games in Doha, Qatar; and the 2005 Southeast Asian Games (SEA Games) in Manila, Philippines, with the end in view of assuring the country's successful participation in these nearing international sporting meets as well as the country's readiness in hosting the SEA games next year.

Adopted,



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