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## RESOLUTION COMMENDING LOURENCE ILAGAN FOR BEING THE FIRST FILIPINO WORLD CHAMPION OF SOFT-TIP DARTS IN THE WORLD 2013 GRAND FINAL

WHEREAS, the World Grand Final is a high level competition that draws top players<sup>1</sup> all over the world to determine the best among the participants in the soft-tip darts contests;

WHEREAS, the World 2013 Grand Final was held at Kowloonbay International Trade & Exhibition Centre, HKSAR, China from December 14 to 15, 2013;

WHEREAS, it is the first time in the World 2013 Grand Final history that the two competitors vying for the championship title came from the same country. Filipino darts players Lourence Ilagan and Christian Perez competed for the title;

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2013 Lourence Ilagan won against Christian Perez 4-1 and became the first Filipino international darts champion;

WHEREAS, 17 countries participated in the World 2013 Grand Final and the Filipino participants bested participants from countries such as Japan, United States and United Kingdom;

WHEREAS, 35-year-old Lourence Ilagan from Taytay and a member of Team One Philippines<sup>2</sup> started playing darts in 2007;

WHEREAS, Lourence Ilagan's achievements are as follows<sup>3</sup>:

- The World 2011 STAGE 3 2nd Place
- The World 2011 STAGE 6 3rd/4th Place
- The World 2011 STAGE 8 3rd/4th Place
- The World 2012 STAGE 3 2nd Place
- The World 2012 STAGE 4 3rd/4th Place
- The World 2012 STAGE 5 1st Place
- The World 2012 STAGE 7 1st Place

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Soft Darts World Championship THE WORLD, Feature Story of THE WORLD 2013 GRAND FINAL, http://darts-theworld.com/en/gf/report.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Philippine Star, International crown bullseye sa Pinoy darter, December 19, 2013, http://www.philstar.com/psn-palaro/2013/12/19/1269778/international-crown-bullseye-sa-pinoy-darter

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> edarts.my, Player Profile: Lourence G. Ilagan (Philippines), November 13, 2013, http://www.edarts.my/player-profile-lourence-g-ilagan-philippines/

- The World 2012 STAGE 8 SHOOT OUT Award Winner (11207 pt)
- The World 2013 STAGE 5 1st Place
- The World 2013 STAGE 6 1st Place
- The World 2013 STAGE 7 2nd Place
- The World 2013 Grand Final Champion

WHEREAS, the performance and achievements of Lourence Ilagan in the sport of Darts, exemplifies the drive and competitiveness of Filipinos in world competition setting;

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Senate of the Philippines, to commend Lourence Ilagan for being the first Filipino Champion of Soft-Tip Darts in the World 2013 Grand Final;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that a copy of this Resolution be given to, Lourence Ilagan, the first Filipino Champion of Soft-tip Darts in the World 2013 Grand Final.

Adopted,

MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY

Senator