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Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING MARIA TERESA MARTINEZ FOR HER ENDURING COMMITMENT AND PERSEVERANCE IN HELPING HER SON, MICHAEL CHRISTIAN MARTINEZ, REALIZE HIS DREAM OF BECOMING A FILIPINO OLYMPIAN

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the Senate recognize a mother's determination to help her child fulfil his dream of bringing hope, pride and honor to the country;

WHEREAS, Maria Teresa Martinez is the mother of the sensational Filipino figure skater and Winter Olympian Michael Christian Martinez;

WHEREAS, Michael Christian Martinez brought hope, pride and honor to our country by becoming the first figure skater from Southeast Asia to participate in Winter Olympics;

WHEREAS, Michael Christian Martinez was the lone Filipino athlete who competed in the 2014 Winter Olympics held in Sochi, Russia from February 7-23, 2014;

WHEREAS, despite multiple injuries, financial constraints and lack of equipment, Michael Christian Martinez ranked 19th overall in the men's short program and free skating;

WHEREAS, behind the remarkable accomplishment of Michael Christian Martinez is his mother's determination and unconditional love and support;

WHEREAS, Maria Teresa Martinez devoted time, energy and resources to her son's quest and mortgaged the family home in order to cover expenses for the Sochi Winter Olympics;

WHEREAS, the tenacity of Maria Teresa Martinez provided strength to her son in overcoming all obstacles to fulfilling his dream;

WHEREAS, the unwavering commitment of Maria Teresa Martinez in helping her son to turn his dream into reality is an inspiration to all Filipinos;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate recognize and commend Maria Teresa Martinez for her enduring commitment and perseverance in helping her son, Michael Christian Martinez, realize his dream of becoming a Filipino Olympian.

Adopted,

MARIA LOURDE NANCY S. BINAY

Senator