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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE EIGHT (8) SWIMMERS OF THE PHILIPPINE SWIMMING LEAGUE FOR WINNING EIGHTEEN (18) GOLD, ELEVEN (11) SILVER AND SIX (6) BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 2014 WESTERN PROVINCE AQUATICS SWIMMING GALA HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN CAPE AQUATICS CENTER IN CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

WHEREAS, the Western Province Aquatics (WPA) tournament aims to instill values of equality, dignity, fairness, and integrity among participants;

WHEREAS, the 2014 WPA tournament hosted 400 participants including 31 teams from different countries;

WHEREAS, the eight (8) swimmers of the Philippine Swimming League (PSL) that represented the Philippines in the 2014 WPA tournament are as follows:

- 1. Mc Tracy Alindogan
- 2. Denjylie Cordero
- 3. John Carlo Doragos
- 4. Portia Kate Doragos
- 5. Kyla Soguilon
- 6. Emmanuel Joshua Lorbes
- 7. Jifrey Azor
- 8. Micaela Jasmine Mojdeh

WHEREAS, the 13- year- old 2013 swimmer of the year Mc Tracy Alindogan of Angeles University Foundation was the most decorated swimmer with eight (8) gold and two (2) silver medals from the following Boys' 13 years categories¹:

Gold medals

- 50m butterfly
- 200m backstroke
- 400m individual medley
- 50m freestyle

¹ Philippine Star, PSL age-groupers make waves in Cape Town, February 16, 2014 http://www.philstar.com/sports/2014/02/16/1290958/psl-age-groupers-make-waves-cape-town?nomobile=1

- 200m breaststroke
- 200m individual medley
- 50m backstroke
- 100m breaststroke

Silver medals

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- 100m backstroke
- 50m breaststroke

WHEREAS, University Athletic Association of the Philippines Season 76 Most Valuable Player Denjylie Cordero of the University of the Philippines won four (4) gold, one (1) silver, and one (1) bronze medals from the following Girls' 17 over categories²:

Gold medals

- 100m breaststroke
- 50m breaststroke
- 200m breaststroke
- 200m individual medley

Silver medal

• 400m individual medley

Bronze medal

• 200m freestyle

WHEREAS, 3rd year high school honor student of Diliman Preparatory School John Carlo Doragos won one (1) gold, two (2) silver, and one (1) bronze medals from the following Boys' 15 years categories³:

Gold medal

• 400m freestyle

Silver medals

- 800m freestyle
- 1,500m freestyle

Bronze medal

• 400m individual medley

WHEREAS, grade 7 honor student Portia Kate Doragos of Diliman Preparatory School with four (4) gold, four (4) silver and two (2) bronze medals from the following Girls' 13 years categories⁴:

Gold medals

• 1,500m freestyle

² Ibid.

³ The Manila Times, DPS honors Doragos siblings for Cape Town triumph, February 17, 2014, http://manilatimes.net/dps-honors-doragos-siblings-for-cape-town-triumph/76351/.

⁴ Ibid.

- 800m freestyle
- 200m breaststroke
- 100m breaststroke

Silver medals

- 200m individual medley
- 400m individual medley
- 50m breaststroke
- 100m butterfly

Bronze medals

- 200m freestyle
- 50m freestyle

WHEREAS, Kyla Soguilon of Aklan with one (1) gold medal from 100m freestyle and two (2) silver medals from Girls' 10 years 200m individual medley and 50m freestyle categories⁵;

WHEREAS, Emmanuel Joshua Lorbes of Montessori de Manila with one (1) bronze medal from Boys' 16 years 50m butterfly category⁶;

WHEREAS, Jifrey Azor of Mariners Polytechnic Colleges with one (1) bronze medal from Boys' 17 over 50m backstroke category⁷;

WHEREAS, the youngest swimmer in the tournament, 7- year- old Micaela Jasmine Mojdeh, received the "Darling of the Crowd" award⁸;

WHEREAS, the athleticism, determination and dedication of these eight (8) PSL swimmers who represented our country has reaped eighteen (18) gold, eleven (11) silver, and six (6) bronze medals making other countries aware that our young Filipino swimmers are brilliant and talented;

RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines, to commend the eight (8) swimmers of the Philippine Swimming League for winning eighteen (18) gold, eleven (11) silver, and six (6) bronze medals in the 2014 Western Province Aquatics Gala held at the University of Western Cape Aquatics Center in Cape Town, South Africa.

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⁵ Supra [citation 1].

⁶ Ibid.

⁷ Ibid.

⁸ Ibid.