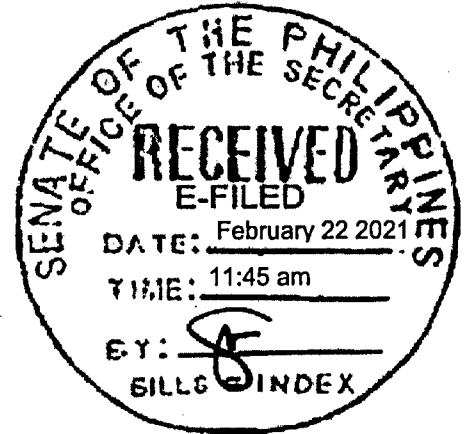


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**Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.**

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**RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO POLE VAULTER ERNEST  
JOHN OBIENA FOR HIS REMARKABLE PERFORMANCE AND FOR WINNING  
MEDALS IN THE 2021 WORLD ATHLETICS INDOOR TOUR**

- 1           WHEREAS, Ernest John Obiena is a 25-year-old athlete who represented the  
2 Philippines in six pole vault competitions in the World Athletics Indoor Tour held in  
3 three countries across Europe from 29 January to 17 February 2021;  
4           WHEREAS, on 29 January 2021, he set a new Philippine indoor record in the  
5 sport after successfully hurdling 5.62 meters at the Karlsruhe World Indoor Tour  
6 Meeting at Europahalle in Karlsruhe, Germany, where he finished fifth place;  
7           WHEREAS, on 05 February 2021, Obiena topped the ISTAF Indoor Athletics  
8 Meet (The Internationales Stadionfest) in Berlin, Germany, where he secured a gold  
9 medal and set a new national record after clearing the 5.80 meter jump;  
10           WHEREAS, two days later, on 07 February 2021, he delivered another  
11 impressive performance in PSD Bank Indoor Meeting in Dortmund, Germany, where  
12 he outshone his rivals and won another gold medal for the country;  
13           WHEREAS, he also participated in the men's pole vault event in Meeting Hauts-  
14 de-France Pas-de-Calais, an annual indoor track and field tournament in Liévin,  
15 France, where he finished fifth;  
16           WHEREAS, on 12 February 2021, Obiena continued his winning streak in Orlen  
17 Cup at Atlas Arena in Łódź, Poland where he bagged a silver medal, shattered his

1 personal best record, and set a new Philippine record after surpassing the 5.86 meter  
2 mark;

3 WHEREAS, on 17 February 2021, he concluded his World Indoor Tour with a  
4 third place podium finish in Copernicus Cup in Toruń, Poland;

5 WHEREAS, his consecutive achievements and impressive showing in the  
6 aforementioned international athletics competitions have brought immense honor and  
7 pride to the country and deserve recognition from the Senate;

8 WHEREAS, his talent, hard work, and commitment to excellence, as shown in  
9 his breaking of personal best records and setting new national records in the sport in  
10 a span of less than three weeks, serve as inspiration for the younger athletes to strive  
11 better, to never give up despite the setbacks, and to scale new heights;

12 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to  
13 congratulate and commend Filipino pole vaulter Ernest John Obiena for his remarkable  
14 performance and for winning medals in the 2021 World Athletics Indoor Tour.

*Adopted,*

  
**RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.**