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RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE SENATE MEDAL OF HONOR IN RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING ATHLETES, UNIFORMED PERSONNEL, SCIENTISTS, AND EXCEPTIONAL YOUTH AND CIVILIANS FOR THEIR EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AND INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO NATION-BUILDING

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution gives utmost priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports, with the aim of fostering patriotism and nationalism, accelerating social progress, and promoting total human liberation and development among Filipinos;¹

REITERATING the importance of physical education, sports development programs, and amateur and professional sports, including training for international competitions, in fostering self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry;²

REAFFIRMING the Constitution's pursuit of the indispensable role of science and technology in national development and progress; and the State's mandate to give priority to research and development, invention, technological innovation, and their utilization;³

MINDFUL of these cardinal State policies and priorities, the Senate of the Philippines has consistently recognized and commended Filipinos who have excelled in their own field of expertise and, through their own actions and example, served as a symbol of hope to the Filipino nation;

CONSISTENT with the spirit of the Constitution, it is only fitting to bestow a Philippine Senate Medal of Honor upon deserving Filipinos both in the military and civilian sectors for

¹ ARTICLE II, SECTION 17.

² ARTICLE XIV, SECTION 19. (1)

³ ARTICLE XIV, SECTION 10.

setting the highest standards of excellence, nationalism, and virtue that their fellow countrymen can aspire for;

INTENDING that by virtue of the Philippine Senate Medal of Honor, core values of excellence, integrity, patriotism, nationalism, and hard work, among others worthy of emulation, will be nurtured and further cultivated for the common good of the sovereign Filipino people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, establish the Philippine Senate Medal of Honor in order to recognize, honor, and commend outstanding athletes, uniformed personnel, scientists, and exceptional youth and citizens for their extraordinary service and invaluable contributions to nation-building.

Adopted,

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