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Introduced by Senator FRANKLIN M. DRILON

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR WINNING THE COUNTRY'S FIRST OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL

WHEREAS, on 26 July 2021, Hidilyn Diaz made history for the Philippines by winning the gold medal in the women's 55-kilogram weightlifting competition at the Tokyo Olympics, which finally ended the country's quest for a gold medal in the quadrennial Olympics after 97 years;

WHEREAS, Diaz previously won a silver medal in the women's 53-kilogram weightlifting division at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio De Janeiro and became the country's first female athlete to win an Olympics medal;

WHEREAS, Diaz had also previously won a gold medal in the women's 53-kilogram weightlifting division at the 18th Asian Games in 2018 and a gold medal in the women's 55-kilogram weightlifting division at the 30th Southeast Asian Games in 2019;

WHEREAS, born into poverty, Diaz has given renewed inspiration to Filipinos that determination and perseverance can lift people out of poverty;

WHEREAS, despite being linked in 2019 to alleged destabilization efforts, Diaz remained focused on her goal of bringing honor for her beloved country;

WHEREAS, Diaz has brought joy, honor and pride to the country and has lifted the hopes of an entire nation amid the uncertainties and challenges that we face today: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, to congratulate and commend Hidilyn Diaz for bringing honor and glory to the country as the First Filipino Olympic Gold Medalist.

Adopted,

Senator FRANKLIN M. DRILON