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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE YOUNG FILIPINO PARA ATHLETES FOR WINNING ONE GOLD, SIX SILVER AND TWO BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 2021 ASIAN YOUTH PARA GAMES HELD IN MANAMA, BAHRAIN AND RECORDING THE COUNTRY'S BEST FINISH IN THE QUADRENNIAL SPORTS EVENT

1 WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines has, on numerous occasions,
2 recognized and honored exemplary Filipinos for their remarkable accomplishments in
3 international sports competitions which brought honor, joy and pride to the country;

4 WHEREAS, the fourth edition of the Asian Youth Para Games (AYPG), a
5 quadrennial multi-sports competition for the continent's young athletes with
6 impairment aged 12 to 20, was held in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain from December
7 2 to 6, 2021¹. More than 700 para-athletes from thirty (30) countries participated
8 across nine (9) sports;

9 WHEREAS, the Philippines recently recorded its strongest performance in the
10 history of the Asian Youth Para Games, as the Filipino para athletes collectively
11 brought home one gold, six silver and two bronze medals. Previously, Team
12 Philippines secured one bronze medal in 2017 edition in Dubai; and one gold, one
13 silver and five bronze medals in the 2013 edition in Kuala Lumpur;

14 WHEREAS, swimmer Arjay Alegarbes won the gold medal in the S14 butterfly
15 multiclass category, and two silver medals from the S14 100-meter breaststroke and
16 100-meter backstroke categories;

¹ <https://aypg2021.org/>

1 WHEREAS, table tennis player Linard Sultan bagged two silver medals from
2 the men's singles class 8 and the men's mixed team;

3 WHEREAS, athletes Ronn Russel Mitra and Daniel Enderes, Jr. secured one
4 silver medal each from the T20 400-meter and T20 1500-meter athletics events,
5 respectively;

6 WHEREAS, swimmer Angel Mae Otom claimed a bronze medal in the 100-
7 meter freestyle S1-S10 multiclass age 16-18 category, and table tennis player Mary
8 Eloise Sable nabbed a bronze medal in the women's mixed team event;

9 WHEREAS, their success as the Philippines' flag bearers in the international
10 sports arena brings immense pride and honor to the nation, as they demonstrated
11 before their Asian counterparts the prowess, passion and sportsmanship of the
12 Filipino people. Their victory deserves to be commended by the Philippine Senate;

13 WHEREAS, the triumph of our young para athletes shines as inspiration to
14 their fellow youth and to the general population to pursue their dreams with
15 courage, determination and hard work. Their impressive performance, despite the
16 hardships of training and difficulties in preparation amid a pandemic, proves that
17 anyone can conquer seemingly insurmountable odds and achieve greatness with
18 perseverance and discipline;

19 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate,
20 to commend and congratulate the young Filipino para athletes for winning one gold,
21 six silver and two bronze medals in the 2021 Asian Youth Para Games held in
22 Manama, Bahrain and recording the country's best finish in the quadrennial sports
23 event.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.