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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE TEAM FILIPINAS – THE PHILIPPINE WOMEN FOOTBALL NATIONAL TEAM – FOR THEIR MAIDEN VICTORY IN THE 12th ASEAN FOOTBALL FEDERATION WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN MANILA, PHILIPPINES AND FOR BRINGING HONOR AND PRIDE TO THE COUNTRY

- WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, given recognition
 and commendation to outstanding Filipinos for their astonishing feat of bringing honor,
 pride and glory to the country by garnering prestigious awards;
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5 **WHEREAS**, the ASEAN Football Federation (AFF) Women's Championship is 6 the competition in women's football organized by the ASEAN Football Federation, 7 contested by the national teams of nations in Southeast Asia. In its inaugural year in 8 2004, it was hosted by Vietnam where Myanmar emerged as champion;

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10 **WHEREAS,** the 2022 AFF Women's Championship is the 12th edition, and 11 hosted by the Philippines after more than two year hiatus in most athletic events 12 globally due to the pandemic;

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WHEREAS, Team Filipinas has only made it to the Top Four once in the past
 11 editions led by Myanmar, Vietnam, Japan, Australia and Thailand with at least one
 championship under their belt;

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WHEREAS, in front of 8,257 fans in attendance, the Philippine women's

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football team - The Filipinas - clinched its maiden AFF Women's Championship title
after stunning Thailand War Elephants, 3-0, on Sunday, 17 July 2022, at the Rizal
Memorial Stadium;¹

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5 **WHEREAS,** their recent feat has ended a so-called decade of obscurity as the 6 Philippine Women's National Football Team has earned the right to be called the 7 queens of Southeast Asian football;

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9 WHEREAS, their win has placed the Philippines among the ranks of the best
 and most victorious in the field after successfully defeating the four-time champion 11 Thailand;²

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13 **WHEREAS**, members of Team Filipinas have shown how strong will, 14 determination, passion and drive to represent not just themselves, but the country, 15 will make every step truly worth the hard work. They are now 53rd in the women's 16 FIFA (Fédération internationale de Football Association) ranking as of June 2022, their 17 highest-ever rank to date;

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19 **WHEREAS**, Team Filipinas deserves the highest accolade for their 20 determination to persevere in their sports especially after hurdling all the challenges 21 which the COVID-19 pandemic has burdened them with;

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WHEREAS, their stellar performance is nothing short of a living testament that
 Filipinas are strong and resilient, and have a place among their international peers in
 the field of sports;

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¹ Morilla, J. (17 July 2022) *Philippines shocks Thailand, bags historic AFF Women crown.* Retrieved 17 July 2022, https://www.rappler.com/sports/football/final-results-philippines-thailand-aff-women-championship-july-17-2022/from

² Morales, L. (17 July 2022) *Sweet payback: Filipinas blank Thais 3-0 to claim historic AFF Women's Championship crown.* Retrieved 18 July 2022, from

https://www.philstar.com/sports/2022/07/17/2196138/sweet-payback-filipinas-blank-thais-3-0-claim-historic-aff-womens-championship-crown

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY
THE SENATE, to congratulate and commend the Team Filipinas – the Philippine
Women Football National Team – for their maiden victory in the 12th ASEAN Football
Federation National Women's Championship held in Manila, Philippines and for
bringing honor and pride to the country.

Adopted,

RAMON BONG REVILLA JR