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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO JIU-JITSU ATHLETES KIMBERLY ANNE CUSTODIO, MEGGIE OCHOA AND THE REST OF THE PHILIPPINE TEAM FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL RUN AT THE 2022 JJIF JIU-JITSU WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has, on a many occasions, given recognition and commendation to exemplary Filipino athletes for their contribution in showcasing our nation's relentless pursuit of sports excellence, and bringing honor and pride to the country by winning international competitions;

WHEREAS, at the 2022 JJIF Jiu-Jitsu World Championships held in Abu Dhabi, UAE, veteran athletes Kimberly Anne Custodio and Meggie Ochoa reigned supreme and dominated the competition in their respective categories;

WHEREAS, veteran athlete Kimberly Anne Custodio competed in the women's adult -45 kilogram category, where she blasted through the competition and defeated Thailand's Skaew Tadaporn in a 14-0 bout, she also bested Hamdah Al Shkeili of host UAE, 14-0 in the guarters and then the Romanian Adina Lulia Mihaila, 9-0:

WHEREAS, Custodio eventually faced off against division top contender Kacie Pechrada of Thailand in the finals, whom she bested in a 6-4 round in the crowded category to bag Team Philippines' 1st gold medal in the competition;

WHEREAS, Ochoa on the other hand, showcased her dominance in the women's adult -48 kilogram category and did not suffer any losses at the competition, sweeping her way through top contenders such as Romania's Lupu Oana, whom she bested 14-0 and Ukraine's Rusetska Oleksandra, 9-0;

WHEREAS, Ochoa's most dominant win was against UAE's very own, Abdoh Abdulla Balquees Abdulkareem whom she defeated by a staggering 22-0 which led her to the finals where she faced off against Canada's Vicky Hoang Ni Ni who she defeated 2-0 to strike gold;

WHEREAS, the performance of Ochoa and Custodio, along with the rest of Team Philippines, put our country in 4th place overall, just behind host UAE, Canada, and Germany in the final rankings of the adult jiu-jitsu category;

WHEREAS, Team Philippines' momentous win yet again brings honor and pride to our country, reaffirming our presence in the world of Jiu-Jitsu, and the outstanding performance of Ochoa and Custodia showcases the relentless desire of our countrymen to achieve excellence in sports;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, for the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend Meggie Ochoa, Kimberly Anne Custodio and the rest of the athletes who comprise Team Philippines for their achievements in the 2022 JJIF Jiu-Jitsu World Championships.

Adopted,

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID