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SENATE

P. S. RES. No. 285

Introduced by **SENATOR JOEL VILLANUEVA**

RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING CHESS PRODIGY BINCE
RAFAEL OPERIANO FOR WINNING THE SIXTH EASTERN ASIA YOUTH
CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP IN BANGKOK, THAILAND

WHEREAS, on 12 November 2022, eight-year-old chess prodigy Bince Rafael Operiano emerged as the champion during the 6th Eastern Asia Youth Chess Championship held in Bangkok, Thailand;¹

WHEREAS, Operiano was chosen to compete and represent the Philippines in said nine-day international tournament after winning the Boys Under 9 category of the National Youth and Schools Chess Championships Grand Finals held last September 16 to 23, 2022 in Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte;²

WHEREAS, the chess prodigy's skills were discovered when he was only six years old when he won the National Age Chess Group Championship – Kiddie Category held in Albay;³

WHEREAS, Operiano was born into a humble family from Barangay Busac in the Municipality of Oas, Albay. He is currently studying at the San Isidro Elementary School in the same municipality;⁴

WHEREAS, Bince Rafael Operiano's victory in the international tournament is a testament to the exceptional talent and global excellence in sports of young Filipino athletes. This chess prodigy's outstanding performance has brought immense pride and inspiration to the Filipino people, and thus merits honor and recognition;

¹ CNN Philippines. *Albay chess prodigy wins gold in Thailand*. Published on 12 November 2022. Available at <https://www.cnnphilippines.com/sports/2022/11/12/Albay-chess-prodigy-wins-gold-in-Thailand-.html??> (Accessed on 13 November 2022).

² Daily Tribune. *8-year-old Bicolano wins Asian youth chess tourney*. Published on 13 November 2022. Available at <https://tribune.net.ph/2022/11/13/8-year-old-bicolano-wins-asian-youth-chess-tourney/> (Accessed on 13 November 2022).

³ Op. cit. CNN

⁴ The Summit Express. *8-year-old chess prodigy to represent PH in international competition in Thailand*. Published on 8 October 2022. Available at <https://www.thesummitexpress.com/2022/10/bince-rafael-operiano-chess-prodigy-albay-to-compete-thailand.html> (Accessed on 13 November 2022).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, to congratulate and commend chess prodigy Bince Rafael Operiano for winning the Sixth Eastern Asia Youth Chess Championship in Bangkok, Thailand.

Adopted,


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