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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING FILIPINO PARA-ATHLETE ARIEL JOSEPH ALEGARBES FOR WINNING SILVER MEDAL IN THE 2022 VIRTUS OCEANIA ASIA GAMES HELD IN BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA

1 **WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate on several occasions has paid tribute to
2 exceptional Filipino athletes for their inspiring feats in the international sports arena,
3 and bringing pride and honor to our country;
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5 **WHEREAS**, It is enshrined in the 1987 Constitution for the State to recognize
6 the vital role of sports in fostering self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the
7 development of a healthy and alert citizenry;
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9 **WHEREAS**, The 2022 Virtus Oceania Asia Games (OA Games) is an
10 international multi-sport competition, organized by Sport Inclusion Australia, in the
11 Oceania Asia region for elite athletes with an intellectual impairment. It is held
12 November 5 - 11, 2022 in Brisbane, Australia, and participated by athletes from Asia,
13 the Pacific and New Zealand;
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15 **WHEREAS**, Ariel Joseph Alegarbés clinched the silver medal in the Men's 50-
16 meter backstroke para-swimming on November 9, 2022;
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18 **WHEREAS**, Ariel, who has ADHD with learning disability and dyslexia, won
19 three gold medals in record-breaking medal haul of Team Philippines during the 11th
20 Asean Para Games in Indonesia last August 2022;

1 **WHEREAS**, Ariel bagged the first medal for the Philippines in the 2022 Virtus
2 Oceania Asia Games;

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4 **WHEREAS**, it is only fitting that the Senate recognize Ariel's excellent
5 performance in international competitions, for inspiring all Filipinos to strive to
6 persevere to accomplish their goals;

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8 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE**, to commend
9 Filipino para-athlete Ariel Joseph Alegarbes for winning silver medal in the 2022 Virtus
10 Oceania Asia Games held in Brisbane, Australia.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.
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