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SENATE P.S. Resolution No. <u>427</u>

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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO CELEBRITY AND DANCER BILLY JOE LEDESMA CRAWFORD FOR WINNING THE GRAND PRIZE OF THE 12TH SEASON OF THE FRENCH REALITY DANCE COMPETITION, DANSE AVEC LES STARS

WHEREAS, Danse avec les Stars is the French version of the popular American reality dance competition show, Dancing with the Stars;

WHEREAS, on 12 November 2022, dancer, celebrity, and former host of *Pilipinas Got Talent,* Billy Joe Ledesma, won the grand prize in the latest edition of *Danse avec les Stars*;

WHEREAS, Bill Joe Ledesma Crawford popularly known as Billy Crawford is a wellknown artist in Philippine entertainment industry, releasing six music albums and making numerous film and television appearances. In 2010, he received the PMPC Star Awards for Television;

WHEREAS, Billy Crawford participated with his partner, French dancer Fauve Hautot, garnered 53.5% of the votes and even earned a standing ovation from the European audience in the said competition;

WHEREAS, across ten weeks of performances, Crawford and Huotot have consistently placed strong throughout the competition. The pair even bagged the highest and near perfect scores out of all performances in the *Paso Doble* and Freestyle categories;

WHEREAS, Crawford's popularity in Europe rose further with the release of his album titled "Ride", of which his first single "Trackin" was certified a platinum hit. The track enabled his album to enter the top ten on the French Albums Chart;

WHEREAS, Crawford's win in the international dance competition and the continuous success of his music and dance career in Europe deserves commendation for bringing honor to the country and for serving as an inspiration to other Filipino musicians and dancers. Further, Crawford is the first ever Filipino to win the French dance competition show;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, congratulating and commending Filipino celebrity and dancer Billy Joe Ledesma Crawford for winning the grand prize of the 12th season of the French reality dance competition, *Danse Avec Les Stars*.

Adopted,

Imee h. Marca