

NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
First Regular Session)



23 FEB -6 P6:15

SENATE

P.S. Res. No. 465

RECEIVED BY: _____

Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND RECOGNIZING PHILIPPINE PARA CHESS TEAM FOR THEIR IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE IN THE 1ST FIDE CHESS OLYMPIAD FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES HELD IN BELGRADE, SERBIA

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, given recognition and commendation to outstanding Filipinos for their exceptional feats of bringing honor, pride and glory to the country by garnering prestigious awards;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution states that "The State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry";

WHEREAS, The 1st International Chess Federation (FIDE) Chess Olympiad for People with Disabilities is a team competition, played over four boards, and limited to a maximum of 30 participant teams. It was held in Belgrade, Serbia from January 29 - February 5, 2023;

WHEREAS, More than 20 countries, including India, Czech Republic, Serbia, Kazakhstan, Zimbabwe, Germany, Venezuela, Romania, Uzbekistan, Montenegro, Cuba, Croatia, Hungary, Turkey, Poland, Israel, Panama, Bangladesh, Zambia, Kenya, and the Philippines, have participated;

WHEREAS, Team Philippines, composed of FIDE Master (FM) Sander Severino, Arena Grandmaster (AGM) Henry Roger Lopez, National Master (NM) James Infiesto, National Master Darry Bernardo and Cheyzer Mendoza, has secured a bronze podium finish in the FIDE Chess Olympiad for People with Disabilities in Serbia;

WHEREAS, 21-year-old, partially blind NM Darry Bernardo prevailed over India's Naveen Kumar in 79 moves of a Caro-Kann to snatched the country's lone gold;

WHEREAS, FM Sander Severino bagged silver medal in the said chess competition;

WHEREAS, the National Para Chess Team has exhibited that every Filipino should aspire to possess - perseverance and determination amidst adversity. Their exemplary performance have brought honor to the nation for they have gone beyond their physical disabilities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to congratulate and recognize the Philippine Para Chess Team for their Impressive Performance in the 1st FIDE Chess Olympiad for People with Disabilities held in Belgrade, Serbia.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA JR. 