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## Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO ATHLETE ERNEST JOHN "EJ" OBIENA FOR HIS OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN THE 2023 INDOOR POLE-VAULTING SEASON

**WHEREAS**, Ernest John "EJ" Obiena is a Filipino pole vaulter who has made a name for himself in the international athletics scene, he is currently ranked the World's No. 3 best and has been dominating every competition he enters;

**WHEREAS**, Obiena has been on a medal-winning streak in the ongoing 2023 Indoor Season, making podium finishes in all seven (7) tournaments he has participated in Europe, representing our country with pride;

**WHEREAS**, Obiena has earned a total of four (4) gold medals through his victories in the said competitions, a Gold Medals at the Copernicus Cup (Poland), another in Orlen Cup Lodz (Poland), and another Perche en Or Roubaix (France), and finally at the 5-6 National Indoor Meeting Padova (Italy);

**WHEREAS**, Obiena has also won Silver Medals at the International Springer Meeting (Germany) and the ISTAF Indoor Berlin (Germany), as well as a Bronze Medal at the Mondo Classic (Sweden);

**WHEREAS,** Obiena was able to achieve all of these in spite of financial and logistical challenges that has continuously plaqued his career as our national athlete;

**WHEREAS,** Obiena is a once-in-a-generation talent that deserves not only our praise but our support in his quest to bring greater honor and glory to our country in his chosen field;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, for the Senate of the Philippines, to congratulate and commend Ernest John "EJ" Obiena for his outstanding performances

in the ongoing 2023 Pole Vaulting Indoor Season, and for bringing honor to the Philippines through his exceptional skills in pole vaulting.

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID Senator