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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL**  
**PENCAK SILAT TEAM FOR BAGGING A TOTAL OF TEN (10) MEDALS - TWO**  
**(2) GOLD, TWO (2) SILVER, AND SIX (6) BRONZE - AT THE 2023**  
**SARAWAK PREMIER INTERNATIONAL SILAT CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD AT**  
**THE STADIUM PERPADUAN, KUCHING, SARAWAK, MALAYSIA**

**WHEREAS**, the Senate has, on several occasions, given recognition and commendation to outstanding Filipinos for their contribution in showcasing our nation's promising potential in the various fields and disciplines of Sports and in bringing pride and honor to the country by winning in international competitions;

**WHEREAS**, Sarawak is home to more than 300 branches of silat – indigenous martial arts known for its close combat prowess;

**WHEREAS**, The Sarawak Premier International Silat Championship had its inaugural event in Kuching, Sarawak last February 27 to March 5, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine National Pencak Silat Team bagged a total of ten (10) medals – two (2) gold, two (2) silver, and six (6) bronze – at the recently concluded Sarawak Premier International Silat Championships;

**WHEREAS**, Jessa dela Cruz, Franchette Ann Elman, and Sara Julia Juzmundo ruled the Seni Artistic Regu female event, while Mary Justine Acat ruled the Women's Open Weight 2 in the tanding/combat event;

**WHEREAS,** Jeremae Beato and Jude Mitz Jalandoni ranked second in the Seni Artistic Ganda Female Category, while Alvin Campos ranked second in the VIP Match Male Class F in the tanding/combat event

**WHEREAS,** the following captured bronze medals:

1. Edmar Tacuel – Tunggal male
2. Angel Gwen Derla – Bebas Solo Creative Female
3. Angeling Virina – Female Class A
4. Hanna Mae Ibutnande – Female Class B
5. Rogielyn Parado – Female Class C
6. Stephen Suazo – Male Open Weight 1

**WHEREAS,** Pencak Silat is an emerging sports in which our country has the opportunity to be competitive, not only within our region but around the world;

**WHEREAS,** the exemplary performance of the Philippine National Pencak Silat Team deserves the highest praise, recognition and commendation for bringing pride and inspiration to the Filipino people, for showing to the world the unrelenting spirit of Filipino sports excellence;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** for the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend the Philippine National Pencak Silat Team for bagging a total of ten (10) medals - two (2) gold, two (2) silver, and six (6) bronze - at the 2023 Sarawak Premier International Silat Championships held at the Stadium Perpaduan, Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia.

*Adopted,*

  
**MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID**  
*Senator*