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RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
BASEBALL TEAM FOR SECURING THEIR FOURTH (4TH) CONSECUTIVE
CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE XIII BASEBALL FEDERATION OF ASIA (BFA) EAST
ASIAN CUP HELD IN PATHUM THANI, THAILAND ON MAY 4, 2023

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, the Baseball Federation of Asia (BFA) launched the Asian Baseball Cup in 1995. After nine editions, BFA decided to split the event into the East Asia and West Asia Baseball Cup;

WHEREAS, the Philippines won two editions (i.e., 1995 and 1997) of the Asian Baseball Cup;

WHEREAS, with the East Asia Cup, the Philippines, which is ranked 42nd in the WBSC Men's Baseball World Rankings, remained undefeated;

WHEREAS, at the XIII BFA East Asian Cup, the Philippine Team defeated Singapore (20-0, 5), Cambodia (15-0, 5), Malaysia (21-1,5). The Philippine Team then outscored the two teams from Thailand (12-4) and Hong Kong (8-1) during the Super Round on May 3, 2023;

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2023, the Philippine Team swept the Hong Kong Team with a score of 10-2 at the Baseball Stadium Queen Sirikit Sports Center in Pathum Thani, Thailand;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Team is composed of the following athletes:

1. First Baseman Iggy Escano
2. Second Baseman Kyle Villafana
3. Third Baseman Jennald Pareja (Most RBIs and Runs)
4. Shortstop Clarence Caasalan (Most Home Runs)
5. Kobe Torres (Best Win-Loss Record)

6. Catcher Steven Manaig – Best Defensive Player
7. Outfielder Ferdinand Liguayan;

WHEREAS, the exemplary performance of the Philippine National Baseball 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 Baseball Team for securing their fourth (4th) consecutive championship at the XIII Baseball Federation of Asia (BFA) East Asian Cup held in Pathum Thani, Thailand on May 4, 2023.

Adopted,



MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator