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RESOLUTION
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING ALL THE FILIPINO MEDALISTS OF
THE 32nd SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES FOR BRINGING PRIDE AND HONOR
TO THE COUNTRY

1 WHEREAS, the Southeast Asian (SEA) Games is a biennial multi-sport event
2 involving participants from the current 11 countries of the Southeast Asian region;

3 WHEREAS, the 32nd SEA Games held in Phnom Penh, Cambodia from May 5 to
4 17, 2023 is a testament to the enduring cooperation, friendship, and solidarity of the
5 ASEAN countries, serving as a source of pride and unity for all the people of Southeast
6 Asia;

7 WHEREAS, the Philippines participated in this year's SEA Games with a
8 delegation of over 800 strong Filipino athletes who performed remarkably, winning a
9 total of 58 gold, 85 silver, and 117 bronze medals. This impressive win mustered a 5th
10 Place Finish in the final medal tally and bested the country's 52-gold haul last year in
11 Vietnam;

12 WHEREAS, this year's performance of the Philippines was again historic and
13 momentous as Filipino athletes such as EJ Obiena, Eric Cray, Elreen Ando, Vanessa
14 Sarno, Teia Salvino, Jaymark Rodelas, Dexter Tabique, and many others shattered
15 SEA Games and Philippine records in their respective sports;

16 WHEREAS, in the same sports meet, Gilas Pilipinas was successful in reclaiming
17 the SEA Games gold medal in the men's 5x5 basketball, while Gilas Women was able
18 to secure the women's 5x5 basketball competition's silver;

19 WHEREAS, the Philippine Arnis and Taekwondo teams have achieved
20 remarkable success by winning the highest number of gold medals, with each team

1 securing 6 gold medals. Furthermore, the Athletics team has demonstrated
2 exceptional performance by earning the highest total number of medals, with an
3 impressive haul of 22 medals;

4 WHEREAS, for their outstanding contribution to the Philippine sports, they are
5 entitled to cash incentives by virtue of Republic Act 10699 or An Act Expanding the
6 Coverage of Incentives Granted to National Athletes and Coaches. SEA Games winners
7 especially the gold medalists will receive P300,000, the silver medalists P150,000, and
8 the bronze medalists P60,000 each;

9 WHEREAS, under the same law, "national athletes and other athletes who
10 surpass Philippine record or ranking in any measurable international sports
11 competition shall be given cash incentives, the amount of which may be determined
12 by the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC);"

13 WHEREAS, these stellar achievements are product of years of hard training and
14 personal sacrifices by both the athletes and their coaches, who unquestionably
15 deserve recognition and reward;

16 WHEREAS, this victory is a proud moment for the Philippines, and it is a proof
17 that with huge passion, perseverance, determination, hard work, and sufficient
18 government support, Filipino athletes can conquer the international stage and achieve
19 greater heights;

20 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the
21 Senate of the Philippines to commend and congratulate all the Filipino medalists of
22 the 32nd Southeast Asian Games for bringing pride and honor to the country.

Adopted,



SONNY ANGARA