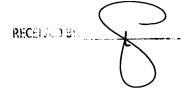
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Introduced by Senator Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO THE 2022 ASIAN GAMES HELD FROM 23 SEPTEMBER TO 08 OCTOBER 2023 IN HANGZHOU, CHINA FOR WINNING FOUR GOLD, TWO SILVER AND TWELVE BRONZE MEDALS AND FOR ABLY REPRESENTING THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has consistently recognized outstanding Filipino athletes who demonstrated their remarkable skills and sportsmanship before international competitions and who won medals thereby bringing pride and honor to the country;

WHEREAS, the Asian Games is a quadrennial continental multi-sport event considered as the biggest and most prestigious athletic tournament in the region. The 19th edition of the Asiad was held in Hangzhou, People's Republic of China from 23 September to 08 October 2023, and was participated by more than 12,000 athletes from 45 countries in Asia;

WHEREAS, the Philippines sent 391 athletes to the prestigious sports event and bagged a total of eighteen (18) medals – four gold, two silver, and twelve bronze medals – thereby placing 17th overall, the best country ranking after 29 years or since the 1994 Asian Games held in Hiroshima, Japan;

WHEREAS, three Filipino athletes secured gold medals in their respective sports, to wit: Ernest John "EJ" Obiena in Men's Pole Vault, Margarita Ochoa in Jiujitsu Women's 48-kg class, and Annie Ramirez in Jiu-jitsu Women's 57-kg class;

WHEREAS, the national men's basketball team, Gilas Pilipinas, delivered the fourth gold medal from the regional meet, and reclaimed the 5x5 men's championship title after sixty-one (61) years;

WHEREAS, Eumir Marcial and Arnel Mandal won silver medals in Men's 71-80 kg event in Boxing and Men's 56-kg Sanda event in Wushu, respectively;

WHEREAS, Filipino athletes hauled 12 bronze medals from the Asiad:

- 1. Patrick King Perez in Men's Individual Poomsae Taekwondo;
- Jones Inso in Men's Taijijan Wushu;

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- Gideon Padua in Men's 60-kg class Sanda Wushu;
- 4. Clemente Tabugara, Jr. in Men's 65-kg Sanda Wushu;
- 5. Alex Eala in Women's Singles Tennis;
- 12 6. Alex Eala and Francis Alcantara in Mixed Doubles Tennis;
- 7. Patrick Coo in Men's Individual BMX Racing Cycling;
- 8. Elreen Ando in Women's 64-kg class Weightlifting;
- 9. Jason Huerte, Rheyjey Ortouste, Vince Alyson Torno, Mark Joseph Gonzales, Ronsited Gabayeron and Jam Lerry Rafael - Men's Quadrant event, Sepak Takraw
 - 10. Sakura Alforte in Women's Individual Kata Karate;
 - 11. Jason Huerte, Rheyjey Ortouste, Mark Joseph Gonzales, Ronsited Gabayeron and Jam Lerry Rafael Men's Regu event in Sepak Takraw;
 - 12. Kaila Napolis in Women's ne-waza 52-kg class Jiu-jitsu;
 - WHEREAS, Filipino athletes valiantly fought in their respective sports events during the 15-day tournament, displayed their personal best, and embodied the true meaning of sportsmanship before the international stage;
 - WHEREAS, the Philippine delegation composed of athletes, coaches and support staff have all united and worked together under the common purpose of showcasing the Filipino spirit, prowess and resilience, and giving pride and honor to the nation;
 - NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to commend and congratulate the Philippine delegation to the 2022 Asian Games held from 23 September to 08 October 2023 in Hangzhou, China for winning four gold, two silver and twelve bronze medals and for ably representing the country;

- 1 RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be given to each of the
- 2 Filipino medallists.

Adopted,

JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA