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## **RESOLUTION**

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING TAGAYTAY CITY MAYOR ABRAHAM "BAMBOL" N. TOLENTINO FOR HIS ABLE STEWARDSHIP OF THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AMIDST HISTORIC BREAKTHROUGHS BY FILIPINO NATIONAL ATHLETES IN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS, INCLUDING THE OLYMPICS

WHEREAS, Philippine sports has been riding a momentum of resurgence, with several Filipino athletes achieving historic breakthroughs in international competitions, including the Olympics;

WHEREAS, the success of Filipino athletes is a product of their dedication, discipline, and hard work, and achieved through the assistance of their coaches, sports officials, as well as countless good samaritans;

WHEREAS, Tagaytay City Mayor Abraham "Bambol" N. Tolentino has been the President of the Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) since 28 July 2019;

WHEREAS, the POC is a private, non-governmental organization and the umbrella organization of all National Sports Associations (NSAs) in the country;

WHEREAS, the POC is recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as having the sole authority for representation of the Philippines in the Olympic Games, the Asian Games, the Southeast Asian Games, and other international competitions within the realm of the IOC and its duly authorized sports bodies;

WHEREAS, the Philippines has been achieving historic breakthroughs in international sporting competitions, including the Summer Olympics, where weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz- won for the country its first gold medal ever at the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics and gymnast Carlos Edriel Yulo won two gold medals at the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics;

WHEREAS, in terms of medal haul, the Philippines is the best performing Southeast Asian nation in both the Tokyo 2020 Olympics and the Paris 2024 Olympics;

WHEREAS, the Philippines won eight (8) of its total eighteen (18) medals in its one hundred years of participation in the Olympics during the leadership of POC President Bambol Tolentino:

WHEREAS, Filipino athletes distinguished themselves in the Asian Games, with the Philippines winning a total of eighteen (18) medals at the 19th Asian Games in Hangzhou, China in October 2023;

WHEREAS, at the 31st Southeast Asian Games (SEA) in Hanoi, Vietnam in May 2022, the Philippine team won a total of 260 medals–58 gold, 85 silver, and 117 bronze;

WHEREAS, POC President Bambol Tolentino should be commended for his strong leadership, helping steer our athletes to greatness;

WHEREAS, the undersigned have personally witnessed the dedication, passion, and hard work of POC President Bambol Tolentino as an advocate of Filipino athletes;

WHEREAS, the excellent showing of Team Philippines in recent international competitions, especially in the recently-concluded Olympics, would not have been possible without POC President Bambol Tolentino's leadership and guidance;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to commend and congratulate Tagaytay City Mayor Abraham "Bambol" N. Tolentino for his able stewardship of the Philippine Olympic Committee amidst historic breakthroughs by Filipino national athletes in international sports competitions, including the Olympics.

Adopted,

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