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Introduced by Sen. Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE TWO FILIPINO POWERLIFTERS ERLINDA PECANTE FOR WINNING THE GOLD IN THE WORLD MASTERS POWERLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP IN OSTRAVA, CZECHOSŁOVAKIA AND ENRIQUE RAFAEL "RICHIE" ROSALES FOR WINNING THE BRONZE MEDAL IN THE INTERNATIONAL POWERLIFTING FEDERATION WORLD OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP IN SOELDEN, AUSTRIA LAST OCTOBER 15-20, 2007

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to Filipino athletes for their astonishing feat of bringing home pride and glory to the country by becoming world champions;

WHEREAS, Erlinda Pecante, a 42-year-old employee of the Philippine Postal Corporation, bagged the gold medal in the 90-kilogram class of the World Masters Powerlifting Championship in Ostrava, Czechoslovakia, where she surpassed her own world record of 205 kilogram squat when she lifted 210 kilograms;

WHEREAS, powerlifter Enrique Rafael "Richie" Rosales, considered as the Philippines' all-time pound-for-pound strongest powerlifter and bench presser, took home the bronze medal in the International Powerlifting Federation World Open Championship in Soelden, Austria on October 15-20, 2007 where he set a new Philippine National Bench Open Record by officially posting the heaviest bench press recorded in any weight class in the Philippines of 225 kilograms at 80.1 kilogram bodyweight;

WHEREAS, these remarkable performances by our athletes deserved to be commended for the honor and recognition they have brought to our country. The exemplary achievements displayed by our Filipino powerlifters have inspired more Filipino athletes to consider this sporting category as it has been proven that this sport is an area where Filipinos could be a dominant force;

WHEREAS, these twin triumphs of Pecante and Rosales earned the Philippines additional world champions making all Filipinos proud once again.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend the two Filipino powerlifters Erlinda Pecante for winning the gold in the World Masters Powerlifting Championship in Ostrava, Czechoslovakia and Enrique Rafael "Richie" Rosales for winning the bronze medal in the International Powerlifting Federation World Open Championship in Soelden, Austria last October 15-20, 2007.

Approved.

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID,
Senator