

Republic of the Philippines  
Congress of the Philippines  
**Senate**  
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RESOLUTION No. 189

RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING  
THE PHILIPPINE CONTINGENT TO THE 2023  
WORLD COMBAT GAMES HELD IN RIYADH,  
SAUDI ARABIA FROM 20 TO 30 OCTOBER 2023  
FOR WINNING THREE (3) GOLD, FIVE (5) SILVER,  
AND FIVE (5) BRONZE MEDALS

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has consistently recognized outstanding Filipinos who bring honor and glory to the nation through their remarkable feats and prestigious awards;

WHEREAS, the World Combat Games is an elite international multi-sport festival which features combat sports and martial arts competitions, sports demonstrations, and educational conferences;

WHEREAS, the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the World Combat Games was held in King Saud University Arena in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, from 20 to 30 October 2023, and presented sixteen (16) combat sports, namely Aikido, Arm wrestling, Boxing, Fencing, Judo, Jiu-Jitsu, Karate, Kendo, Kickboxing, Muaythai, Sambo (Russian wrestling), Savate (French boxing), Sumo, Taekwondo, Wrestling, and Wushu. It was participated by around 1,700 top athletes from 80 countries;

WHEREAS, the Philippine contingent composed of 19 athletes won a total of 13 medals – three (3) gold, five (5) silver, and five (5) bronze, and ranked 20<sup>th</sup> overall. It is the country's best standing since its last appearance in the inaugural World Combat Games held in 2010 in Beijing, People's Republic of China;

WHEREAS, the following athletes brought home gold medals for the country: Jenna Kalla Napolis – Women's 52-kg event, Jiu-Jitsu; Rhichein Yosorez and Alyssa Kylie Mallari – Mixed Mai Muay, Muaythai; and Darius Venerable – Men's Individual Poomsae, Taekwondo;

WHEREAS, the following secured second-place podium finishes: Ariel Lee Lampacan and Phillip Delarmino – Mixed Mai Muay, Muaythai; Islay Erika Bomogao – Women's Wai Kru, Muaythai; Clemente Tabugara, Jr. – Men's 65-kg, Wushu; Agatha Chrystenzen Wong - Women's Taolu Taijiquan and Taijijian, Wushu; and Rudzma Abubakar – Women's 48-kg event, Muaythai;

WHEREAS, the following bronze medalists added to the country's haul: Fierre Afan – Men's Grappling Gi 71-kg event, Wrestling; Maria Aisa Ratcliff – Women's Grappling Gi 53-kg event, Wrestling; Thornton Sayan – Men's Taolu Nanquan and Nangun, Wushu; Jones Inso – Men's Taolu Taijiquan and Taijijian, Wushu; and Juvenile Faye Crisostomo and Justin Kobe Macario – Mixed Pair Poomsae, Taekwondo;

WHEREAS, the Philippine contingent delivered excellent performances in their respective disciplines and displayed Filipino fighters' and martial artists' courage, agility, grace, power, and resilience;

WHEREAS, their exemplary achievements in the international sports arena on the back of hard work, commitment to rigorous training, and love of country, brought great pride and honor to the country, and merit the Philippine Senate's commendation: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To commend and congratulate the Philippine contingent to the 2023 World Combat Games held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from 20 to 30 October 2023 for winning three (3) gold, five (5) silver, and five (5) bronze medals.*

*Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be given to each of the Filipino medalists.*


Adopted,



FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

*President of the Senate*

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 18, 2024.



RENATO N. BANTUG Jr.  
*Secretary of the Senate*