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COMMENDING THE FILIPINO STUDENT ATHLETES WHO JOINED AND COMPETED IN THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED 26th SUMMER UNIVERSIADE HELD IN SHENZHEN, CHINA ON AUGUST 12-23, 2011

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on 23 August 2011, the 26th Summer Universiade formally closes after twelve (12) days of competition at Shenzhen, China;

WHEREAS, the Universiade, also known as the World University Games, is an international biennial sports event organized for university athletes by the International University Sports Federation (FISU);

WHEREAS, the recently concluded 26th Summer Universiade was the largest Universiaide so far with 10,603 participants from 151 countries and regions competing in 306 events from 24 different sports;

WHEREAS, China finished first after collecting 145 medals including 75 golds, while Russia finished second with 132 medals including 42 golds;

WHEREAS, this year marked the first time that the Philippines took part in this second largest multi-sports event next to the Olympics where it sent a 94-man contingent led by the Federation of School Sports Association of the Philippines (FESSAP) which is the sole local university sports organization recognized by FISU;

WHEREAS, the Philippine delegation who came from different university sports organizations pitted against numerous well-funded teams in nine various sports events namely swimming, men's basketball, table tennis, taekwondo, badminton, chess, archery, beach volleyball, and athletics;

WHEREAS, in order to make it to the 26th Summer Universiade, the Philippine delegation depended on support from corporate sponsors as the team did not receive any official support from the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC);

WHEREAS, even though the Philippine contingent did not receive any support from the PSC, 21-year old Far Eastern University (FEU) student Samuel Thomas Harper Morrisson bagged a silver medal from the 68 kg division of taekwondo;

WHEREAS, the Filipino student athletes who joined and competed for twelve (12) days in this year's Universiade shared with different athletes from different backgrounds the FISU Philosophy of promoting sportsmanship and encouraging the practice of sports in harmony with, and complementary to, the university spirit;

WHEREAS, Filipino student athletes who joined this year's Universiade deserve not only our government's support and attention, but more importantly its recognition;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines commend the Filipino student athletes who participated and competed in the recently concluded 26th Summer Universiade held in Shenzhen, China on August 12-23, 2011.

ADOPTED,

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