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## RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE IN WINNING THE SILVER MEDAL FOR THE PHILIPPINES IN THE 53-KG WEIGHTLIFTING COMPETITION AT THE 2016 SUMMER OLYMPICS IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

WHEREAS, Olympics games organized by the International Olympic Committee promoting sport with culture and education has been recognized world-wide.

WHEREAS, thirteen athletes from the Philippines are competing at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on August 5 to 21, 2016.

WHEREAS, the Philippines had its 9th Olympic medal in the year 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta wherein Mansueto "Onyok" Velasco, Jr. won the silver medal for the light-flyweight boxing category .

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2016, Hidilyn Diaz ends the Philippines 20-yr medal drought by winning the olympic silver medal in the 53-kg Weightlifting Competition at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

WHEREAS, Diaz from Zamboanga City, became the first Filipino

female athlete, non-boxer and weightlifter to win an Olympic medal for the Philippines.

WHEREAS, prior to winning the Olympic medal, she had won the following in weightlifting competition: Bronze medal, 2007 Southeast Asian Games; Silver medal, 2011 and 2013 Southeast Asian Games; Gold Medal, 2015 World Championships; Gold and Bronze Medal, 2015 and 2016 Asian Championships, respectively.

WHEREAS, the Philippines' 10th Olympic medal by Diaz gives us nationwide honor and pride. Her win symbolizes the determination, perseverance and strength of the Filipino. She has served her country well thru her pursuance of sports becoming an inspiration to youth and an icon of women empowerment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to Congratulate and Commend Hidilyn Diaz for her Exceptional Performance in Winning the Silver Medal for the Philippines in the 53-kg Weightlifting Competition at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on August 7, 2016.

ADOPTED,

JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO