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Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

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## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE ATHLETES THAT COMPETED IN THE 2016 SUMMER PARALYMPIC GAMES THAT WAS HELD ON SEPTEMBER 7 TO 18, 2016 AT RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate in several occasions paid homage to exemplary Filipinos for their contribution in bringing home pride and honor to the country by winning in international competitions;

WHEREAS, the International Paralympic Committee is the global governing body of the Paralympic Games whose main purpose is to organize the summer and winter Paralympic Games and acts as the International Federation for nine sports, supervising and coordinating World Championships and other competitions<sup>1</sup>;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Paralympics team is consisted of five athletes whom competed in four different events, as follows:

1.	Adeline Ancheta	Powerlifting
2.	Agustin Kitan	Powerlifting
	Ernie Gawilan	Swimming
4.	Jarrold Pete Magliwan	Athletics Table Tennis <sup>2</sup> ;
5.	Josephine Medina	

WHEREAS, Filipina Paralympian Josephine Medina won the bronze medal in the Class 8 Women's Singles Table Tennis event of the 2016 Paralympic Games on September 12, 2016 at Rio De Janeiro, Brazil<sup>3</sup>;

WHEREAS, Josephine Medina won the bronze medal by defeating Germany's Juliane Wolf three games straight in the best out of five games series with scores of 11-5, 11-6, and 11-7 for a final match score of 3-0<sup>4</sup>;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>International Paralympic Committee Website: https://www.paralympic.org/the-ipc/about-us

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Rio Paralympics Games Website: https://www.rio2016.com/en/paralympics/philippines

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>GMA News Website: http://www.gmanetwork.com/news/story/581127/sports/othersports/phl-s-medina-wins-table-tennis-bronze-in-rio-paralympics

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Rio Paralympic Games Website: https://www.paralympic.org/rio-2016/schedule-results/info-live-results/rio-2016/eng/tt/engtt\_table-tennis-results-women-s-singles-class-8-1-02.htm

**WHEREAS**, by winning the bronze medal in the 2016 Rio Paralympics, Josephine Medina earns the second Paralympic medal for the Philippines after Adeline Dumapong won a bronze medal in powerlifting in the 2000 Sydney Games<sup>5</sup>;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Paralympic team finished with a bronze medal in the 2016 Summer Paralympic Games that was held on September 7 to 18, 2016 at Rio De Janeiro, Brazil<sup>6</sup>;

WHEREAS, by winning the bronze medal in this international competition, Josephine Medinahas made our country proud and has proven the world the country's promise for greatness and international dominance in women's single table tennis;

WHEREAS, these Paralympians already face adversities in their daily lives but despite these challenges they continue to strive for greatness and compete in their respective sports;

WHEREAS, this remarkable performance by the Philippine Paralympiansdeserves to be commended for the honor and recognition they brought to the country;

**BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** for the Senate of the Philippinesto congratulate and commendthe Philippine Athletes that competed in the 2016 Summer Paralympic Games on September 7 to 18, 2016 at Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Adopted,

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 $<sup>^5</sup> Sports\ Interactive\ Network\ Philippines\ Website:\ http://www.spin.ph/para-sports/news/josephine-medina-bronze-medal-rio-paralympics-table-tennis-2016$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Rio Paralympic Games Website: https://www.rio2016.com/en/paralympics/philippines