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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM PERLAS PILIPINAS FOR CLINCHING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE 2016 SEABA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP IN MALACCA CITY IN MALAYSIA

WHEREAS, the Philippine national women's basketball team Perlas Pilipinas clinched the gold medal in the 2016 SEABA Women's Championship in Malacca City, Malaysia after winning over the host team and former champion Malaysia, 77-73, on September 24, 2016;

WHEREAS, Perlas Pilipinas completed the single round-robin tournament with a six-game sweep after beating long-time rival Thailand, 72-52, on September 25, 2016;

WHEREAS, Perlas Pilipinas showcased supreme dominance in the 9th SEABA Championship with convincing final scores, even leading by more than 100 points against Laos, 179-32; 134-56 against Vietnam; 69-43 against Singapore; and, 72-56 against Indonesia;

WHEREAS, the SEABA Championship for Women is a basketball tournament for women's national teams organized by the Southeast Asia Basketball Association, a subzone of the FIBA Asia, which also serves as a qualifier for different zone and subpoena competitions such as FIBA Asia Championship for Women and Southeast Asian Games;

WHEREAS, the women's national basketball team now ranks second behind Thailand and carries a record of 2 gold medals, 3 silver medals and 2 bronze medals. The first SEABA championship was bagged by the Filipino cagebelles in 2010 when the tournament was staged in the country;

WHEREAS, the team composed of Amby Almazan, Allana Lim, Afril Bernardino, Jack Animam, Shelly Gupilan, Raiza Palmera-Dy, Cindy Resultay, Camille Sambile, Ara Abaca, Chack Cabinbin, Andrea Tongco, along with head coach Patrick Aquino and assistant coaches Julie Amos and Aries Dimaunahan, ended the six-year SEABA title drought for the country;

WHEREAS, despite lacking in attention and support as compared to the men's national team, Perlas Pilipinas, with the backing of its patron Dioceldo Sy, continues to bring pride and honor to the country for their remarkable showing in international competitions;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulate and commend the Philippine national women's basketball team Perlas Pilipinas for clinching the gold medal in the 2016 SEABA Women's Championship in Malacca City in Malaysia.

Adopted.

SONNY ANGARA