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1 environmental concerns, Senator Zubiri is likewise an athlete and even
2 became a World Champion of Arnis;

3 **WHEREAS**, according to Philippine Sports Commission (PSC)
4 Chairman William I. Ramirez, the role of Senator Zubiri as Chairman of
5 PhilSOC is to represent the President and the government in running the
6 organizing committee. Both the PSC and the Philippine Olympic
7 Committee (POC), the two key forces that will be behind the country's
8 hosting of the 30th edition of the SEA Games, welcomed this
9 development as this will jumpstart the preparations for the prestigious
10 event;

11 **WHEREAS**, the Philippines first hosted the SEA Games in 1981.
12 It was in 2005 that the Philippines last hosted the biennial event with the
13 theme "*One Heritage, One Southeast Asia*" which emphasized unity and
14 cooperation among the member nations. Aside from being the host in
15 2005, the Philippines emerged as the over-all champion garnering 291
16 medals (113 golds, 84 silvers, 94 bronzes);

17 **WHEREAS**, hosting the SEA Games is a daunting task, thus
18 Senator Zubiri, who is well suited for the chairmanship post being an
19 athlete himself, must be commended for taking up the challenge of
20 steering the PhilSOC to surpass the performance of the Philippines in the
21 2005 SEA Games with the hopes of achieving our second overall
22 championship, proving to the international community that the resiliency
23 and determination of Filipino athletes are unparalleled;

24 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY**
25 **RESOLVED THAT SENATOR JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F.**
26 **ZUBIRI BE COMMENDED AND CONGRATULATED BY THE**
27 **PHILIPPINE SENATE FOR HIS APPOINTMENT AS THE**
28 **CHAIRMAN OF THE 2019 PHILIPPINE SEA GAMES**
29 **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE.**

Adopted,


AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III