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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING, COMMENDING AND HONORING THE YOUNG FILIPINO MATH OLYMPIANS WHO BROUGHT GLORY AND PRESTIGE TO THE PHILIPPINES BY DOMINATING THE RECENT SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL MATH OLYMPIAD CHALLENGE (SIMOC) AND THE 13TH INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS CONTEST (IMC)

WHEREAS, on 16 July 2017, Filipino students took the limelight in the awarding ceremonies of the Singapore International Math Olympiad Challenge (SIMOC) held at the UCC, National University of Singapore;

WHEREAS, SIMOC is a contest showcasing the best Math Olympians hailing from 20 countries in Asia where around 1,200 Grade 2 to 10 students compete;

WHEREAS, three members of the Philippine team brought home trophies as grand champions in their respective levels; while our other young Pinoy math wizards won 12 gold, 10 silver, and 11 bronze medals as well as 6 merit awards for the written individual contest; 1 gold, 2 silver, and 2 bronze medals for the math warriors team contest; and 2 bronze medals in the mind sports challenge;

WHEREAS, as if the SIMOC is not enough forum to showcase our young Filipino students' prowess and excellence in math, they again bested their opponents at the 13th International Mathematics Contest (IMC) held from 4-7 August 2017 also in Singapore;

WHEREAS, our elementary and high school students hauled 245 medals and 111 merit awards (33 gold, 66 silver and 146 bronze medals), placing them first among 14 participating countries based on the medal tally; in addition, the Philippines' Robert Frederik Uy of Philippine Science High School-West Visayas was adjudged the Top Scorer in the Grade 7 level;

WHEREAS, China placed second with 30 gold, 45 silver and 99 bronze medals followed by Thailand with 18 gold, 35 silver and 55 bronze medals and Singapore with 15 gold medals; these countries were followed by Taiwan, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Laos, Hong Kong, Iran, South Korea, Australia and India;

WHEREAS, Section 13 of Article 2 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution (“Constitution”) provides that “the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;”

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article 2 of the Constitution provides that “the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development;”

WHEREAS, the Filipino students’ domination in the SIMOC and 13th IMC should not pass unnoticed as such a feat is worthy of emulation and recognition as part of the State’s recognition of the vital role of the youth in nation-building;

WHEREAS, recognizing these young Filipinos’ achievements may also help boost and promote their intellectual well-being;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines, congratulating, commending and honoring the young Filipino Math Olympians who brought glory and prestige to the Philippines by dominating the recent Singapore International Math Olympiad Challenge (SIMOC) and the 13th International Mathematics Contest (IMC).

Adopted,


GRACE POE