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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING WEIGHTLIFTER HIDILYN DIAZ**  
**FOR WINNING THE PHILIPPINES' FIRST GOLD MEDAL IN THE 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
**ASIAN GAMES BY CAPTURING THE WOMEN'S 53-KILOGRAMS**  
**CATEGORY IN THE WEIGHTLIFTING EVENT HELD AT JAKARTA AND**  
**PALEMBANG, INDONESIA**

WHEREAS, the Philippines is committed to compete in the Asian Games every four years preceding the SEA Games;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Team ~~once~~ again participated in this year's games competed by some forty-six (46) countries with twelve thousand five hundred two (12,502) athletes competing in fifty-eight (58) sporting events;

WHEREAS, weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz won the Philippines' first gold medal in the Asian Games by competing with eleven (11) others and lifting 92 kilograms in the snatch and 115 kilograms in the clean and jerk for a total of 207 kilograms;

WHEREAS, Hidilyn Diaz's winning in her division in the women's weightlifting category in the 2018 Asian Games is a strong showing of her desire to improve her performance and her passion to the sport; considering that during her past participation in this international event, she only finished sixth place in the 2010 Asian Games in China and in 2006 Doha, Qatar Asiad, wherein she only managed to place 10th overall;

WHEREAS, prior to this Asian event, Hidilyn Diaz started to bring back glory to Philippine amateur sports when she propelled the entire Philippine delegation during the last World Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 2016 where she won the much coveted Olympics silver medal in the weightlifting event;

WHEREAS, Hidilyn's successive triumph in these prestigious international sporting events has placed the country in the elite sporting map of the world as she excelled and topped other world class competitors;

WHEREAS, this gold medal Hidilyn has won for the Philippine Team and the Filipino people has once more gave her the opportunity to bring pride, honor, glory and joy to the country;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to congratulate and commend weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz for winning the Philippines' first gold medal in the 18<sup>TH</sup> Asian Games by capturing the women's 53-kilograms category in the weightlifting event held at JAKARTA AND PALEMBANG, INDONESIA.

*Adopted,*

  
**VICENTE C. SOTTO III**  
Senator