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Introduced by Senator JOEL VILLANUEVA

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE TEAM FOR BAGGING THE 2023 JUNIOR LEAGUE SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

WHEREAS, the Philippine team, representing the Asia-Pacific Region, triumphed over the USA's East Region, 3-0, to claim the 2023 Junior League Softball World Series championship held on 05 August 2023 in Kirkland, Washington, USA;

WHEREAS, the Junior League Softball World Series is an annual softball tournament for girls aged 12 to 14 administered by Little League Baseball, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the Philippine representatives from Bago City, Negros Occidental clinched the country's second title two decades after a team from Bacolod City took home the crown in 2003;¹

WHEREAS, the Philippine team, who finished third in 2022, dominated the competition and swept the first six matches to reach the finals against Milford, Connecticut;²

WHEREAS, the Philippine team defeated District 9 Region (Washington) 19-0; Southeast Region (Florida) 4-1; Canada Region

PNA. PH's Bago City wins Junior League Softball World Series title. 06 August 2023. https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1207222. Accessed on 07 August 2023.

The Manila Times. PH bags Junior League Softball crown. 07 August 2023. https://www.manilatimes.net/2023/08/07/sports/ph-bags-junior-league-softball-crown/1904144. Accessed on 07 August 2023.

(Canada) 7-4; Central Region (Michigan) 10-0; West Region (Arizona) 4-0; and Southwest Region (Texas) 4-0 to book a ticket to the finals;³

WHEREAS, in the finals, they scored a run in the second inning and achieved two more in the sixth to capture the victory;⁴

WHEREAS, the Philippine team is composed of Erica Arnaiz, Thereze Francine Fuentes, Ann Dyana Buenafe, Icelle Tanaman, Ashley Ortiz, Froline Manalo, Christine Jane Caracas, Daniela Bejos, Audrie Sarsona, Marie Antoinette Sicapore, Nice Lobrido and Casandra Sumatra, who are all students of Ramon Torres National High School, Bago City. They are coached by Rolando Fuentes, Leo Dayot, Sarah Caracas, Francis Fuentes, team manager Josie Sebunga, and player advocate Yolly Sanchez;

WHEREAS, the Philippine team from Bago City, Negros Occidental brought great pride and honor to the country and impressed the world with their outstanding performance in the Junior League Softball World Series tournament, serving as an inspiration and motivation to all Filipinos, especially their fellow young athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, to congratulate and commend the Philippine Team for bagging the 2023 Junior League Softball World Series Championship.

Adopted,

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid.