

SENATE

P.S. Res. No. 821

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Introduced by Senators Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, Loren B. Legarda, Joel Villanueva, and Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III

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### RESOLUTION

#### CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING GILAS PILIPINAS FOR A HISTORIC WIN TO CLAIM THE COUNTRY'S FOURTH GOLD MEDAL IN THE ASIAN GAMES 2023 AFTER RULING THE MEN'S BASKETBALL EVENT AT THE HANGZHOU OLYMPIC SPORTS CENTRE GYMNASIUM IN HANGZHOU, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON 6 OCTOBER 2023

**WHEREAS**, Filipino basketball team Gilas Pilipinas brought pride and glory to the Philippines after winning for the country a gold medal in the Men's Basketball Event of the Asian Games 2023 at the Hangzhou Olympic Sports Centre Gymnasium in Hangzhou, China on 6 October 2023;

**WHEREAS**, considered as one of the world's biggest multi-sport competitions, the Asian Games is a multi-sport event held every 4 years among athletes from all over Asia. This year's games are participated by over 12,000 athletes from 45 countries competing in 481 events;

**WHEREAS**, Gilas Pilipinas successfully clinched a gold medal in the men's basketball event after emerging as victors in a match against the Jordanian men's basketball team in a score of 70-60;

**WHEREAS**, with this historic victory, the Gilas Pilipinas ended the country's 61-year gold medal drought in the Asiad men's basketball event which was last won in the 1962 Asian Games in Indonesia;

**WHEREAS**, the Gilas Pilipinas team to the 2023 Asian Games is composed of the following athletes who brought pride and honor to the country with their historic win:

#### PLAYERS

1. *Japeth Aguilar*
2. *Kevin Alas*
3. *Justin Brownlee*
4. *June Mar Fajardo*
5. *Angelo Kouame*
6. *Marcio Lassiter*
7. *Chris Newsome*
8. *Calvin Oftana*
9. *CJ Perez*
10. *Chris Ross*
11. *Scottie Thompson*

*12. Arvin Tolentino*

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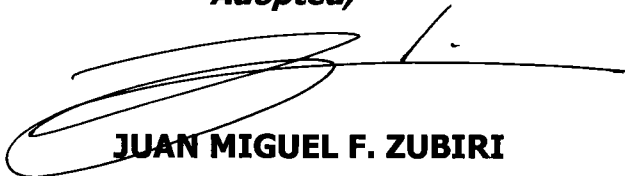
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**WHEREAS**, Team Gilas Pilipinas has brought pride, glory and inspiration to the Filipino people and has once again proven to the world the persistent and indomitable spirit of the Filipino, for which they deserve to be honored and commended;

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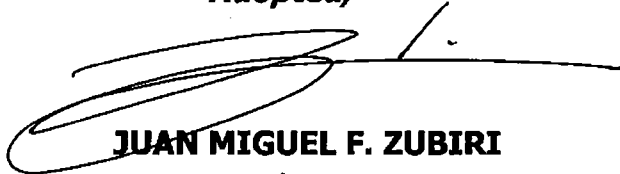
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