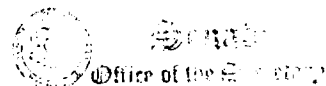


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**RESOLUTION**  
**RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING TEAM PHILIPPINES FOR THEIR**  
**EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE IN THE 19TH ASIAN GAMES HELD IN**  
**HANGZHOU, CHINA**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, given recognition to outstanding Filipinos for their exemplary feats of bringing honor, pride and glory to the country;

**WHEREAS**, "Asian Games" is a continental multi-sport event held every four years among athletes from all over Asia, and recognized as the second-largest athletic events after the Olympics. It has been held in 18 cities across 15 countries since its inaugural edition in 1951;

**WHEREAS**, the latest and 19th edition was recently held in Hangzhou, China, from September 23 through October 8, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, the 2023 Asian Games has been participated by more than 12,000 athletes from 45 countries in 40 athletic events. Team Philippines has fielded 395 athletes competing in 37 of the said events;

**WHEREAS**, Team Philippines hauled eighteen (18) medals - 4 golds, 2 silvers and 12 bronzes - bringing the country to a 17th overall final rank. This is considered as the country's best finish in more than two decades since the 13th edition held in Bangkok, Thailand;

**WHEREAS**, Team Philippines brought home medals from athletics, jiu-jitsu, basketball, wushu, taekwondo, tennis, cycling, weightlifting, karate and sepak takraw. They created an indelible mark, and made their contribution to our country's history in the 19th Asian Games after having bagged four gold medals;

**WHEREAS**, Olympian Ernest John "EJ" Obiena captured the first gold, and broke the Asian record set in 2022 in men's pole vault after clearing the 5.9 m mark;

**WHEREAS**, Jiu-jitsu martial artist Margarita "Meggie" Ochoa nabbed the country's second gold after beating United Arab Emirates in the women's-48 kg division's final. Meggie is also the country's first Asian Games gold medalist in martial arts, which was introduced at the 2018 in Jakarta, Indonesia, where she won a bronze medal;

**WHEREAS**, Jiu-jitsu rising superstar, Annie Ramirez bagged the country's third gold after defeating Kazakhstan in the finals of women's-57 kg division;

**WHEREAS**, Gilas Pilipinas, the Philippine's national basketball team, clinched the gold in the continental meet. This is a historic feat since it took six decades from the last time the Philippines championed the event;

**WHEREAS**, Wushu athlete, Arnel Mandal claimed the first silver from the sanda men's 56kg event;

**WHEREAS**, Olympic bronze medalist - boxer Eumir Felix de los Santos Marcial settled for silver. He is the last-man standing in the 10-man Philippine boxing squad for the the Asian Games and earned his berth to the Paris Olympics;

**WHEREAS**, Team Philippines brought home a dozen of bronze medals from taekwondo jin Patrick King Perez; wushu artists: Jones Llabres Inso, Clemente Tabugara Jr. and Gideon Fred Pascua; tennis players, Alexandra "Alex" Maniego Eala

and Francis Casey "Niño" Alcantara; BMX cyclist Patrick Bren Co; weightlifter Elreen Ann Quinilitan Ando; the Philippine sepak takraw team comprised of Jason Huerte, Mark Joseph Gonzales, Rheyjey Ortouste, Ronsited Gabayeron, Jom Rafael and Vince Torno; karateka Sakura Alforte; and Brazilian Jiu-jitsu fighter Jenna Kaila Napolis;

**WHEREAS**, Philippine sepak takraw team emerged triumphant in their competition in winning two bronze medals in more than three decades of medal drought in the said sports;

**WHEREAS**, Tennis rising star, tennis players, Alexandra "Alex" Maniego Eala ends her first-ever Asian by bagging bronze – the country's first Asian tennis medal in 17 years;

**WHEREAS**, Team Philippines, true to being #BidaAngBayaningManlalaro, brought honor to the nation and served as inspiration to the next generation of Filipino athletes. They have shown how committed pursuit for excellence in their respective discipline drives incredible display of talent, determination, teamwork and sportsmanship, and ultimately paves the way to victory;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SENATE**, to recognize and commend Team Philippines for their exemplary performance in the 19th Asian Games held in Hangzhou, China.

*Adopted,*

  
**RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.** 

## **2023 ASIAN FILIPINO MEDALIST**

### **Gold (4)**

1. Ernest John "EJ" Uy Obiena – Athletics, Men's Pole Vault
2. Margarita "Meggie" P. Ochoa – Jiu-jitsu, Women's - 48kg
3. Annie Ramirez – Jiu-jitsu, Women's - 57kg
4. Gilas Pilipinas – Basketball, Men's 5-on-5

### **Silver (2)**

1. Arnel Roa Mandal – Wushu, Men's Sanda - 56kg
2. Eumir Felix de los Santos Marcial – Boxing, Men's - 80kg

### **Bronze (12)**

1. Patrick King Perez – Taekwondo, Men's Individual Poomsae
2. Jones Llabres Inso – Wushu, Men's Taijiquan and Taijijian
3. Gideon Fred Pascua – Wushu, Men's Sanda - 60kg
4. Clemente Tabugara Jr. – Wushu, Men's Sanda - 65kg
5. Alexandra "Alex" Maniego Eala – Tennis, Women's Singles
6. Alexandra "Alex" Maniego Eala and Francis Casey "Niño" Alcantara – Tennis, Mixed Doubles
7. Patrick Bren Coo – Cycling, Men's BMX Racing
8. Elreen Ann Quinilitan Ando – Weightlifting, Women's - 64kg
9. Philippine Sepak Takraw Team – Sepak Takraw, Men's Quadrant
10. Sakura Alforte – Karate, Women's Individual Kata
11. Jenna Kaila Napolis – Jiu-jitsu, Women's - 52kg
12. Philippine Sepak Takraw Team – Sepak Takraw, Men's Regu

### **Philippine Sepak Takraw Team**

1. Jason Huerte
2. Mark Joseph Gonzales
3. Rheyjey Ortouste,
4. Ronsited Gabayeron
5. Jom Rafael
6. Vince Torno

### **Gilas Pilipinas Basketball Team**

1. Kevin Alas
2. Japeth Aguilar
3. Justin Brownlee
4. June Mar Fajardo
5. Ange Kouame
6. Marcio Lassiter
7. Chris Newsome
8. Calvin Oftana
9. CJ Perez
10. Stanley Pringle
11. Chris Ross
12. Arvin Tolentino
13. Scottie Thompson