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Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

## RESOLUTION

## CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING GIDEON FRED WAYAN PADUA FOR WINNING BRONZE IN WUSHU SANDA MEN'S 60KG EVENT IN THE 19<sup>th</sup>ASIAN GAMES

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has always recognized exemplary Filipino athletes for their remarkable achievements;

**WHEREAS**, the Asian Games is a multi-disciplinary sports event held once in every four years. The Asian Games is recognized by the International Olympic Committee and is the second largest multi-sport event after the Olympics;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines sent 396 athletes to compete in 40 sports in the 19<sup>th</sup> Asian Gamesheld in Hangzhou, China;

**WHEREAS**, 22-year-old Cordilleran athlete, Gideon Fred Wayan Padua won a bronze medal for the Philippines in the wushu men's sanda 60kg category;

**WHEREAS**, on September 27, 2023, he defeated Turkmenistan's AgajumageldiYazymov with 2-0 victory;

**WHEREAS,** during his impressive fight against Yazymov, Paduagot hit by an elbow and suffered a broken nose bridge;

**WHEREAS,** he was set to take on Iran's Shoja Panahigelehkolaei for a shot at the semifinals, but the Wushu Federation Philippines officials intervened and decided to forfeit the match in order to minimize the risk of further injury;

WHEREAS, his awe-inspiring dedication to sports cannot be ignored. In fact, after the SEA Games in Cambodia in May 2023, Padua had a nose injury and had undergonesurgery. But being a truly dedicated athlete, he immediately returned to training to prepare for the Asian Games and did not mind finishing the three-month recovery needed;

WHEREAS, Gideon Fred Wayan Padua deserves to be recognized for bringing pride and honor to the country and for serving as an inspiration to future generations of Filipino athletes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulates and commends Gideon Fred Wayan Padua for winning bronze medal in wushu sanda men's 60kg event in the 19<sup>th</sup> Asian Games.

Adopted,

Maria Lourdes NANCY S. BINAY