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Introduced by Senator Villar

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**RESOLUTION  
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE BRILLIANT STUDENTS  
OF GRACE CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL,**

**ALYSSA SHEENA TAN,  
BRYAN LAO,  
AND MARK IAN TAN,**

**FOR HONOURING THE PHILIPPINES WITH A GOLD IN THE 2007  
WORLD ROBOTICS OLYMPIAD HELD IN TAIWAN ON NOVEMBER 17,  
2007, A BEAMING SYMBOL OF FILIPINO STUDENTS' COMPETITIVE  
TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANTAGE AND ADVANCED SCIENCE  
KNOWLEDGE**

Whereas, the 1987 Philippine Constitution is an exemplar in advancing policies on S & T, it mandates, "[s]cience and Technology are essential for national development and progress. The State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization; and to science and technology education, training and services. It shall support indigenous, appropriate, and self-reliant scientific and technological capabilities, and their application to the country's productive systems and national life" (Article XIV, Section 10);

Whereas, on November 17, 2007, the Grace Christian High School composed of team members BRYAN LAO, ALYSSA SHEENA TAN and MARK IAN TAN honoured the Philippines with a plum gold finish in the World Robotics Olympiad held in Taiwan;

Whereas, the students collaborated and synchronised their efforts in a project called Operation Security Guaranteed - a city diorama that has a group of security-based robots that fight fire, catch animals and ensure building protection from would-be terrorist attacks;

Whereas, the Filipino students bested 170 teams composed of 800 most technologically-oriented students from 18 countries;

Whereas, the distinction won by Grace Christian High School is a paean in the significance of S & T, that it is undeniably one of the most important tools in economic development and sources of competitive advantage;


Whereas, the win is an achievement as it is a manifestation that despite limited resources and constraints in facilities; the Filipino students, given the opportunity, will triumph in excellence: Now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, to commend and congratulate the brilliant students of Grace Christian High School,

Alyssa Sheena Tan,  
Bryan Lao,  
And Mark Ian Tan

for honouring the Philippines with a gold in the 2007 World Robotics Olympiad held in Taiwan on November 17, 2007, a beaming symbol of Filipino students' competitive technological advantage and advanced science knowledge.

Adopted,



**MANNY VILLAR**