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RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR BEING THE FIRST FILIPINO WOMAN TO WIN A MEDAL IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES, BRINGING HONOR AND INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION TO THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate, may, on occasion, express commendation for Filipinos who through their achievements and exemplary performance in their respective fields contribute to raising the nation's pride;

WHEREAS, on 7 August 2016, Hidilyn Diaz made history for the Philippines, ending the country's 20-year Olympic medal drought by securing a silver medal in the women's 53-kg weightlifting division of the 2016 Summer Olympic Games held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil with a recorded total weight of 200 kilograms;

WHEREAS, the 25-year-old medalist, a native of Zamboanga City, and born to Eduardo and Emelita Diaz became the first female athlete, non-boxer and weightlifter to win an Olympic medal for the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Diaz's achievement handed the Philippines its 10th Olympic medal. She now joins the roster of Philippine Olympic greats such as Teofilo Yldefonso (bronze; men's 200 meter breast stroke), Simeon Toribio (bronze; men's high jump), Jose Villanueva (bronze; men's bantamweight boxing), Miguel White (bronze; men's 400 meter hurdles), Anthony N. Villanueva (silver; men's featherweight boxing), Leopoldo Serantes (bronze; men's light flyweight boxing), Roel Velasco (bronze; men's light flyweight boxing), and Mansueto Velasco (silver; men's flyweight boxing);

WHEREAS, Diaz is an inspiration to the youth and an epitome of women empowerment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines, to congratulate and commend Hidilyn Diaz for being the First Filipino Woman to Win a Medal in the Olympic Games, bringing honor and international recognition to the Philippines.

Adopted,


LOREN LEGARDA
Senator