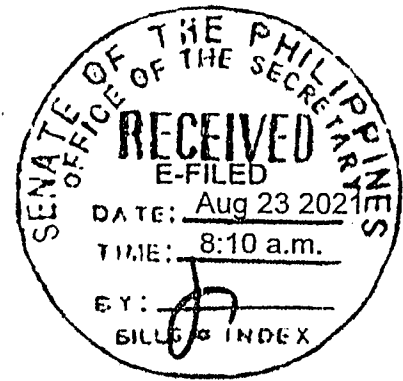


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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

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**RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE ON LEADING THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO A HISTORIC HAUL OF FOUR MEDALS IN THE 2020 SUMMER OLYMPICS HELD IN TOKYO, JAPAN, FROM 23 JULY 2021 TO 8 AUGUST 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the Senate of the Philippines has, in several occasions, honored outstanding Filipinos for bringing pride and glory to the country by claiming triumphs in international sporting competitions;

**WHEREAS**, created in 1911 and recognized in 1929 by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the Philippines' National Olympic Committee, the Philippine Olympic Committee (POC), presently led by Chairman Steve Hontiveros and President Abraham "Bambol" Tolentino, is a private non-governmental organization composed of all the National Sports Associations of the Philippines, and is authorized by the IOC to represent the Philippines in the Olympics and in other international multi-event competitions;

**WHEREAS**, the support, programs, and initiatives of the POC were instrumental in training and preparing our Filipino athletes for the 2020 Summer Olympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan, from 23 July to 8 August 2021;

**WHEREAS**, though faced with the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the POC persevered to provide the needs of our nineteen (19) Olympic qualifiers, in terms of their training and international campaigns, helping them become the strongest and most prepared Philippine Olympic delegation yet;

**WHEREAS**, with the guidance and support of the POC and the appointed chef de mission Mariano Araneta Jr., the Philippine delegation to the 2020 Summer Olympic Games made history by bringing home one (1) gold, two (2) silver, and one (1) bronze medals, a total of four (4) medals, a multi-medal feat that has never before been achieved since the Philippines began competing in the Olympics in 1924;

**WHEREAS**, Hidilyn Diaz bagged the country's first ever Olympic gold, emerging victorious at the women's 55 kg weightlifting event, while the rest of our medalists impressed at the boxing events, with Nesthy Petecio clinching silver, Eumir Marcial clinching bronze, and Carlo Paalam clinching silver at the women's featherweight, men's middleweight, and men's flyweight divisions respectively, with Nesthy being the first Filipina to bring home an Olympic medal in boxing;

**WHEREAS**, the POC deserves commendation for their hand in nurturing our home-grown athletes and paving the way for the Philippine delegation's historic triumph in the 2020 Summer Olympic Games;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend the Philippine Olympic Committee on leading the Philippine delegation to a historic haul of four medals in the 2020 Summer Olympics held in Tokyo, Japan, from 23 July 2021 to 8 August 2021

*Adopted,*



**JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI**