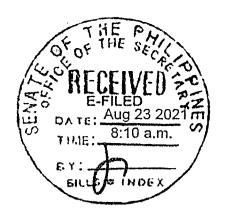
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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION 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, established on 24 January 1990, the Philippine Sports Committee (PSC), presently headed by Chairman William "Butch" Ramirez, is the primary governmental agency dedicated to the development of Philippine sports and the growth of Filipino athletes;

WHEREAS, the PSC has been raising funds for the national team since 2017, and this year approved a budget of 46.2 million pesos for our nineteen Olympic qualifiers for the 2020 Summer Olympic Games held in Tokyo, Japan, from 23 July to 8 August 2021, covering their airfare, hotel and accommodation, allowances, and pandemic-related expenses such as COVID-19 testing, quarantine accommodation, and treatment insurance;

WHEREAS, along with the Philippine Olympic Committee and private donors, the PSC's support helped our Olympic qualifiers prepare for the 2020 Summer Olympics even in the midst of the pandemic and the postponement of the games to 2021, helping them become the strongest and most prepared Philippine Olympic delegation yet;

WHEREAS, 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 PSC 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 Sports Commission and 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,

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