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RESOLUTION
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE FOR
NATIONAL ATHLETES WHO WIN THE GOLD MEDAL AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES

WHEREAS, many Filipino athletes have risen to national and international prominence in international sports;

WHEREAS, these Filipino athletes, by competing against the best in the world, have shown extraordinary grit and determination to succeed despite the difficulties in training, support, and recognition;

WHEREAS, these Filipino sports heroes have demonstrated the perseverance and unrelenting spirit of Filipinos in their quest for excellence in their fields;

WHEREAS, the triumphs and tribulations of these Filipino sports icons have generated and instilled immense national pride and brought honor to Filipinos, here and abroad;

WHEREAS, these Filipino champions have shown that with the right break, training, and support, Filipinos could excel in their chosen sports;

WHEREAS, in the midst of health, economic, and political difficulties, the Filipino people need heroes who could inspire them to work, persevere, as well as aspire to do better;

WHEREAS, these sports heroes deserve to be recognized and commended for bringing pride, honor, and inspiration especially to young Filipinos who want to excel in their fields;

WHEREAS, their singular achievements serve as a testament that perseverance and dedication, when combined, can be used as a springboard which inspires Filipinos to soar to greater heights, and achieve great success in life;

WHEREAS, these Filipino international achievers have overcome many trials and challenges thru hard work and determination, thereby contributing to, if not restoring,

national pride, dignity and self-respect. These individuals have gained personal accolades as well as international recognition both for themselves and for their country;

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives has awarded the Congressional Medal of Distinction for Filipino achievers in sports, business, medicine, science, and arts and culture;

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives has awarded the Congressional Medal of Achievement to honor political, economic, and cultural leaders, who have distinguished themselves through their life-work and their vision;

WHEREAS, the Olympic Games are the world's only truly global, multi-sport celebratory athletics competition;

WHEREAS, winning the gold medal at the Olympic Games signifies the singular highest level of athletic achievement of an athlete;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the House of Representatives to institutionalize the Congressional Medal of Excellence to particularly give honor and commendation to these exceptional modern-day national heroes in sports who win the gold medal in the Olympic Games. This award will immortalize their achievements and give them a legacy to leave behind by providing future generations with inspirational lessons that they can take to heart: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To institutionalize the Congressional Medal of Excellence for our national athletes who win the gold medal in the Olympic Games, for their exemplary achievements in the Olympics, and for immensely contributing to national pride and international recognition for the country.

Adopted,



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