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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2109  

Introduced by Representatives Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco,  
Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez and Joseph Stephen “Caraps” S. Paduano  

RESOLUTION  
EXPRESSING WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS AND DEEPEST GRATITUDE TO THE DEDICATED WOMEN AND MEN OF THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC DELEGATION FOR THE HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AND HISTORIC PERFORMANCE IN THE 2020 TOKYO OLYMPIC GAMES  

WHEREAS, the Philippines emerged as the best performing Southeast Asian country during the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games held from July 23 to August 8, 2021, in Tokyo, Japan, and surpassed its three bronze record set during the Los Angeles Olympic Games in 1932;  

WHEREAS, this historic breakthrough was achieved by the Philippine Olympic delegation composed of nineteen athletes, with their respective coaches and trainers, who competed in eleven different sporting events;  

WHEREAS, the athletes and coaches of the Philippine Olympic delegation displayed their sporting prowess and inimitable sportsmanship during the global multi-sports event and secured a spectacular four-medal haul, including one gold by Hidilyn Diaz for the women’s 55-kilogram division in weightlifting, and three from boxing: one silver by Nesthy Petecio for the women’s featherweight 54-57 kilogram division; one silver by Carlo Paalam for the men’s flyweight 48-52 kilogram division; and one bronze by Eumir Marcial in the men’s middleweight 69-75 kilogram division;
WHEREAS, Hidilyn Diaz leads the crop of Philippine Olympic athletes and captures the first-ever gold medal for the country which ended the 97-year pursuit for the gold, while Carlo Paalam, Nesthy Petecio, and Eumir Marcial hold the distinction of representing the most triumphant boxing group in the history of the country;

WHEREAS, this year’s Olympic team also sent three athletes to the medal round, namely Carlos Edriel Yulo who finished 4th in artistic gymnastics, Margielyn Didal who finished 7th in women’s street skateboarding, and Ernest John Obiena who finished 11th in men’s pole vault;

WHEREAS, other athletes from the Philippine delegation include weightlifter Elreen Ann Ando in women’s 64-kilogram; boxer Irish Magno in women’s flyweight 48-51 kilogram division; golfers Yuka Saso and Bianca Pagdanganan in women’s individual stroke play, and Juvic Pagunsan in men’s individual stroke play; judoka Kiyome Watanabe in women’s 63-kilogram judo; shooter Jayson Valdez in men’s 10m air rifle; rower Cris Nievarez in men’s single sculls; sprinter Kristina Marie Knott in women’s 200-meter; taekwondo athlete Kurt Bryan Barbosa in men’s 58-kilogram division; and swimmers Remedy Rule in women’s 100-meter and 200-meter butterfly, and Luke Gebbie in men’s 50-meter and 100-meter freestyle;

WHEREAS, the generosity, encouragement and vital backing provided by the business sector and private organizations and individuals, and the support extended by the whole country led by the Philippine Olympic Committee and the Philippine Sports Commission, were pivotal in meeting the requirements of Filipino athletes for the nation’s competitive and triumphant Olympic campaign;

WHEREAS, the hard work, self-discipline, intense preparation, mental and physical strength, and a highly professional support team composed of training and mental performance coaches, nutritionist, and physiotherapist propelled the athletes toward a sterling victory that brought pride and honor to the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, the exceptional and remarkable finish of the athletes and their coaches during the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games highlights the indomitable Filipino spirit to rise above adversities and ushers in a new era of sports heroes who bring joy and inspiration to our fellow Filipinos amid the difficult conditions brought about by the pandemic: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PHILIPPINES To express its warmest congratulations and deepest gratitude to the
dedicated women and men of the Philippine Olympic delegation for the highly 
successful and historic performance in the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

Adopted,

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