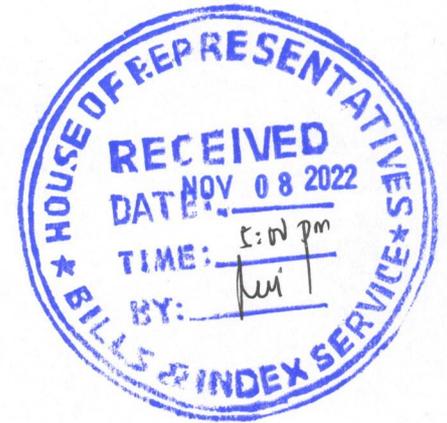


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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 527

Introduced by: REP. RUTH MARIANO-HERNANDEZ

RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING JOSE EFREN BAGAMASBAD FOR BAGGING THE GOLD IN THE 2022 ASIAN SENIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP IN AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND AND FOR ATTAINING THE TITLE OF INTERNATIONAL MASTER

WHEREAS, the Asian Senior Chess Championship is an annual international tournament organized by the Asian Chess Federation first held in Lebanon in 2010 with two categories of participants: 50-years old and above, and 65-years old and above;

WHEREAS, Jose Efren Bagamasbad, a 66-year old Filipino chess player bagged the title in the 2022 Asian Senior Chess Championship in the 65 years old and above category in Auckland, New Zealand, joining Grandmaster Eugene Torre in the roster who won the same title in 2017 and 2018;

WHEREAS, Bagamasbad finished undefeated with 7.5 points on six victories and three draws to claim the crown, an outright International Master title and the first of three norms to become a Grandmaster, and giving honors to the country and to the Filipino people;

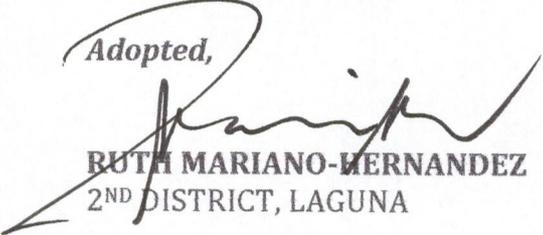
WHEREAS, Bagamasbad, despite his age, is a self-educated chess player who never quit to achieve his goals, and now has his sights in gaining the title of a Grandmaster and break the record as the oldest Filipino to become a Grandmaster set by Jayson Gonzales in 2008 at the age of 36 years old;

WHEREAS, as an athlete, Bagamasbad believes that age is not a hindrance to achieve one's dream in sports, a field often dominated by the young and strong, thus giving inspiration to senior citizens and elderlies to stay active and productive in their chosen fields of endeavor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives commends and congratulates Jose Efren Bagamasbad for bagging the

gold in the 2022 Asian Senior Chess Championship in the 65 years old and above category in Auckland, New Zealand and for attaining the title of International Master, giving pride and honor to the Filipino people for putting the nation in prominence in the international stage of chess competitions.

Adopted,



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