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INTRODUCED BY KABATAAN PARTY-LIST REP. RAYMOND V. PALATINO

A RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE 124 FILIPINO MEDAL WINNERS AND ALL FILIPINO ATHLETES WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 25th SOUTHEAST ASIAN (SEA) GAMES HELD LAST DECEMBER 9 TO 18, 2009 IN LAOS, VIENTIANE.

WHEREAS, the Philippine Congress has traditionally paid tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes who, despite various obstacles, have brought pride and glory to the country by participating and garnering awards in prestigious international sports competitions;

WHEREAS, 247 Filipino athletes participated in various games and sports in the 25th Southeast Asian (SEA) Games held last December 8-19, 2009 in Laos, Vientiane;

WHEREAS, the final medal tally showed the Philippines finishing fifth (5th) overall with 38 gold medals, 35 silver medals and 51 bronze medals for a total of 124 medals, an improvement from last year's sixth place overall finish;

WHEREAS, the efforts and recognitions received by these athletes deserve special mention in light of the comparatively underfunded state of sports and athletics in the country and the unhelpful disagreements between the Philippine Sports Commission and Philippine Olympic Committee, and are an inspiration to all young and aspiring Filipino athletes training in various unideal conditions around the archipelago to keep pursuing their dreams;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the House of Representatives heartily congratulate and commend the Filipino medal winners and all Filipino athletes who participated in the 25th SEA games held last December 9 to 18, 2009 in Laos, Vientiane.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House shall strive to advance and protect the welfare and talent of all Filipino athletes by legislating necessary and appropriate measures to enable them to continue bringing pride and glory to the country.

Adopted,



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