



THIRD REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 144

**RESOLUTION COMMENDING SERGEANT HIDILYN FRANCISCO DIAZ
AS THE VERY FIRST MINDANAON FILIPINO TO WIN OLYMPIC
GOLD MEDAL SINCE 1924 DURING THE TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC
GAMES**

WHEREAS, Paragraph 1, Section 19, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry;

WHEREAS, Section 13, Article IX of the Republic Act No. 11054, otherwise known as the Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), states that the Bangsamoro Government shall recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building, promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being, moreover, it shall inculcate patriotism and nationalism, encourage involvement in public and civic affairs, and promote mental and physical fitness through sports;

WHEREAS, for ninety-seven (97) years since joining the Summer Games in 1924, the Philippines never won a gold medal in the world Olympics and the highest achievements were the silver medal won by boxer Mansueto Velasco, Jr. in 1996 Atlanta Olympics, silver medal from boxer Anthony Villanueva in the 1964 Olympics and a bronze medal from Teófilo Yldefonso in a 200-meter breast stroke in 1928;

WHEREAS, last July 26, 2021, Hidilyn Francisco Diaz, a 30-year old resident of Zamboanga City made history when she won the gold medal for the 55kg weightlifting event after lifting a 123kg in Tokyo, Japan;

WHEREAS, having won a medal is a great achievement not only for the athlete but also for the country as this will include us in the world history of few countries who have achieved such impossible feat;

WHEREAS, the success of Hidilyn F. Diaz will encourage our youth in the BARMM to engage into sports, inculcating the values of discipline, sportsmanship, cooperation, and teamwork as a way to develop their physical, mental, and spiritual well-being;

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Government and its people are united with the world and with the whole nation in extending earnest congratulations to Hidilyn F. Diaz for her well-deserved victory;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, as it is hereby resolved, to commend Sergeant Hidilyn Francisco Diaz as the very first Mindanaon Filipino to win Olympic gold medal since 1924 during the Tokyo 2020 Olympic games.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to forward this Resolution to Hidilyn F. Diaz for her information.

ADOPTED, Muharram 15, 1443/August 24, 2021.

Attested:


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Speaker

Certified Correct:


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