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RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING JAMES ARANAS AND JOHANN CHUA FOR RULING THE 2023 WORLD CUP OF POOL 9-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP HELD FROM JUNE 27 TO JULY 2, 2023 AT THE PAZO DE FEIRAS E CONGRESOS DE LUGO IN LUGO, SPAIN

WHEREAS, the Senate has, on several occasions, given recognition and commendation to outstanding Filipinos for their contribution in showcasing our nation's promising potential in the various fields and disciplines of Sports and in bringing pride and honor to the country by winning in international competitions;

WHEREAS, World Cup of Pool is a professional pool doubles tournament. The Philippines achieved victory in this competition for the first time in 2006, then repeated their success in 2009. Their most recent triumph in the event occurred in 2013 in London, earning them their third championship;

WHEREAS, in the 16th edition, or the 2023 edition, 32 pairs from various nations participated and competed. Among them, James Aranas and Johann Chua represented the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the defending champions, Spanish Team A comprised of Francisco Sánchez Ruíz and David Alcaide were defeated by the Philippine team with a score of 7-5 in Round 1;

WHEREAS, in Round 2, the Philippines emerged victorious, with a score of 7-2, against the Spanish Team B, which was represented by Jose Alberto Delgado and Jonas Suoto Comino;

WHEREAS, in the quarterfinals, the Philippines won against Chinese Taipei Team, composed of the two-time champion Ko Pin Yu and Ko Ping Chung, with the score of 9-8;

WHEREAS, in the semifinals, the Philippines once again emerged victorious against the Austria Team, represented by Albin Ouschan and Mario He, with a score of 9-8;

WHEREAS, in the finals, the Philippines claimed the championship title by defeating the Germany Team, represented by Joshua Filler and Moritz Neuhausen, with the score of 11-7;

WHEREAS, the consistent exemplary and outstanding performance of James Aranas and Johann Chua, resulting in the Philippines securing their fourth championship to rule the event after 10 years, deserves the highest praise, recognition and commendation for bringing pride and inspiration to the Filipino people and for showing to the world the unrelenting spirit of Filipino sports excellence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, for the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend James Aranas and Johann Chua for ruling the 2023 World Cup of Pool 9-Ball Championship held from June 27 to July 2, 2023 at the Pazo de Feiras e Congressos de Lugo in Lugo, Spain.

Adopted,


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Senator