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**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR BEING THE FIRST FILIPINO WOMAN TO WIN A MEDAL IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES, BRINGING HONOR AND INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION TO THE PHILIPPINES**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate, may, on occasion, express commendation for Filipinos who through their achievements and exemplary performance in their respective fields contribute to raising the nation's pride;

**WHEREAS**, on 7 August 2016, Hidilyn Diaz made history for the Philippines, ending the country's 20-year Olympic medal drought by securing a silver medal in the women's 53-kg weightlifting division of the 2016 Summer Olympic Games held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil with a recorded total weight of 200 kilograms;

**WHEREAS**, the 25-year-old medalist, a native of Zamboanga City, and born to Eduardo and Emelita Diaz became the first female athlete, non-boxer and weightlifter to win an Olympic medal for the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, Diaz's achievement handed the Philippines its 10<sup>th</sup> Olympic medal. She now joins the roster of Philippine Olympic greats such as Teofilo Yldefonso (bronze; men's 200 meter breast stroke), Simeon Toribio (bronze; men's high jump), Jose Villanueva (bronze; men's bantamweight boxing), Miguel White (bronze; men's 400 meter hurdles), Anthony N. Villanueva (silver; men's featherweight boxing), Leopoldo Serantes (bronze; men's light flyweight boxing), Roel Velasco (bronze; men's light flyweight boxing), and Mansueto Velasco (silver; men's flyweight boxing);

**WHEREAS**, Diaz is an inspiration to the youth and an epitome of women empowerment;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Senate of the Philippines, to congratulate and commend Hidilyn Diaz for being the First Filipino Woman to Win a Medal in the Olympic Games, bringing honor and international recognition to the Philippines.

Adopted,

  
**LOREN LEGARDA**  
Senator