Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 585



Introduced by Rep. Pablo C. Ortega

## A RESOLUTION

## COMMENDING THE "ACT OF HEROISM" OF MR. ROGER CASUGAY DURING THE SURFING COMPETITON OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEAG) 2019 IN THE PROVINCE OF LA UNION

**WHEREAS**, the SEA Games is a biennial multi-sport event involving athletes from the eleven (11) countries of Southeast Asia not only as a sporting event but to promote cooperation, understanding and improve relations between and among the countries in the region;

**WHEREAS**, the official song of the 2019 edition of the SEA games embodied the essence of the regional event particularly the lines: "Together we're a universe, we are a future world; Yes, we compete but the greatest feat is when we win as one:"

**WHEREAS**, the athletes' admirable quest to give glory and honor to the Philippines by their acts of discipline and sacrifice is deserving of praise and recognition;

**WHEREAS**, during the Surfing event hosted in the Province of La Union, the spectators witnessed an act of sacrifice and heroism exemplifying the spirit of camaraderie and sportsmanship and of what the SEA games aims to achieve;

WHEREAS, MR. ROGER CASUGAY, a native of La Union, did not hesitate to come to the aid of the Indonesian competitor when the latter's leash snapped and lost his board and almost drowned, which almost costed the former's opportunity to win gold during the event;

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Casugay's display of the selfless act has proven that the sporting event is not only about winning medals but it is about character, resilience, love and unity amidst diversity and competition;

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Casugay truly gave pride to the country and shone brightest more than the gold medal at stake because of this act of heroism;

**NOW THEREFORE**, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of Representatives to commend **MR. ROGER CASUGAY** for his "Act of Heroism" of saving the Indonesian athlete from possible drowning during the Surfing competition of the Southeast Asian Games 2019 in the Province of La Union.

Adopted.

REP. PABLO C. ORTEG