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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 679



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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ATHLETES FROM THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL WHO WON AND PARTICIPATED IN THE 2019 30<sup>TH</sup> SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES HELD IN THE PHILIPPINES LAST 30 NOVEMBER TO 11 DECEMBER 2019

WHEREAS, the 2019 30<sup>th</sup> Southeast Asian Games ended the 14 years wait for the Philippines to reclaim its overall champion status in the coveted international sports event with an impressive total of 387 medals: 149 gold, 117 silver, and 121 bronze medals;

WHEREAS, this calls for our highest congratulations and commendation to all athletes as well as their trainers who worked hard and fought hard in all their respective events. These competitors who came from all over the Philippines represented the country well through their unity, commitment and passion;

WHEREAS, the young athletes' inclusion in the national team and participation in the Southeast Asian Games already deserve the country's praise. Winning in their respective events deserve their due recognition;

WHEREAS, Bohol has consistently contributed to the national pride through its renowned and world-class leaders, artists, beauty titlists and sports champions. This is exemplified in the current Southeast Asian Games through the following Boholano athletes who participated and won in their respective sports events as follows:

- DIANA BUHLER from Alicia, of the third district of Bohol, who won a Gold Medal in the 4x100 Mix Relay Obstacle Course Race;
- EMMANUEL COMMENDADOR from San Miguel, second district of Bohol, who won Bronze Medal in the Duathlon Mixed Relay;
- ANFERNEE LOPENA from Tagbilaran City, first district of Bohol, who won a Gold Medal and a Bronze Medal in the Athletics event;
- RICHARD GONZALES from Talibon, second district of Bohol, with one Bronze Medal in Table Tennis;

**WHEREAS**, Boholano athletes who bravely participated in the Southeast Asian Games are likewise worth of commendation:

- Dave Llyod Pacaldo and Elien Rose Perez both of Tagbilaran City who joined in the Weightlifting event;
- Rian Marco Tirol also of Tagbilaran City who participated in Swimming;
- Ronne Malipay of Trinidad who joined in the Athletics event;
- Mea Bernal from Guindulman who was part of the Soccer Football;
- Julius Philip Bon and Mark Anthony Bon both from Dauis who braved the Pentaque Sports;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, to express its congratulations and commendation to the athletes, from the Province of Bohol, who won and participated in the 2019 30<sup>th</sup> Southeast Asian Games held in the Philippines last 30 November to 11 December 2019.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Department of Education, the Commission on Higher Education, the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the local governments and the private sector be encouraged to develop our young athletes and improve our sports education and training systems to ensure that our youth achieve their full potential in the area of sports and instill the values of sportsmanship, discipline, dedication, passion and national pride.

Adopted,

EDGAR M. CHATTO