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RESOLUTION NO. 127

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING
THE COACHING STAFF, OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS
OF SMART GILAS II PILIPINAS BASKETBALL TEAM
FOR WINNING THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED 34TH
WILLIAM JONES CUP HELD IN TAIPEI, TAIWAN
LAST 26 AUGUST 2012

WHEREAS, the Smart Gilas II Pilipinas Basketball Team, which represented the Philippines, won the recently concluded 34th Edition of the William Jones Cup, one of the most popular cage events in the region, held in Taipei, Taiwan last 26 August 2012, by beating the powerhouse and crowd favorite US Team, 76-75;

WHEREAS, the win marks the fourth time that the Philippines clinched the title in the tournament after the triumph of the Northern Consolidated Cement Team some thirty (30) years ago in 1981, San Miguel Beer Team in 1985 and the Philippine Centennial Team in 1998;

WHEREAS, the Smart Gilas II Pilipinas Basketball Team is headed by Coach Chot Reyes and composed mostly of professional players from the Philippine Basketball Association, namely, Enrico Villanueva (Barangay Ginebra), Gabe Norwood (Rain or Shine), Gary David (Powerade), Jeff Chan (Rain or Shine), LA Tenorio (Alaska), Larry Fonacier (Talk N Text), Mac Baracael (Alaska), Ranidel De Ocampo (Talk N Text), Sol Mercado (Meralco) and Sonny Thoss (Alaska); naturalized player Marcus Douthit; and amateur players Filipino-American Matt Rosser and San Beda player Garvo Lanete, which was supported by the Samahang Basketbol ng Pilipinas (SBP) President Manuel V. Pangilinan and Amateur Boxing Association of the Philippines (ABAP) headed by Victorio P. Vargas;

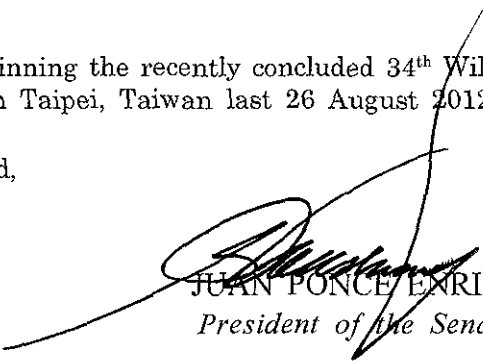
WHEREAS, the valiant effort shown by the Philippine team in securing the victory is seen as a meaningful and redeeming win as it marks the resurgence of Philippine basketball and reclaims the country's stature as a dominant force in Asian basketball;

WHEREAS, the achievement of the Smart Gilas II Pilipinas Basketball Team has bestowed honor and pride to our country and is a testament of the Filipino's world-class excellence and competitive spirit: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, To congratulate and commend the coaching staff, officials and members of Smart Gilas II Pilipinas Basketball


Team for winning the recently concluded 34th William Jones Cup held in Taipei, Taiwan last 26 August 2012.

Adopted,



JUAN PONCE ENRILE
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 4, 2012.



EMMA LIRIO-REYES
Secretary of the Senate