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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE FILIPINO SOLDIERS OF THE 5TH PHILIPPINE PEACEKEEPING CONTINGENT TO THE GOLAN HEIGHTS SERVING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (UNDOF) FOR BEING AWARDED UNITED NATIONS MEDALS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN GOLAN HEIGHTS ON 17 MAY 2012 AT CAMP ZIOUANI, GOLAN HEIGHTS.

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipinos for bringing home pride and honor to our country;

WHEREAS, members of the 5th Philippine Peacekeeping Contingent under Contingent Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Ramon Estella received medals from the United Nations for maintaining the ceasefire and supervising the disengagement of Israeli and Syrian forces in the so-called Areas of Separation and Limitation between the two parties;

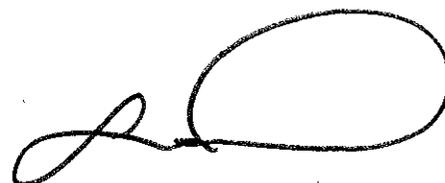
WHEREAS, the 5th Philippine Peacekeeping Contingent were awarded during a ceremony on 17 May 2012 in Camp Ziouani, Golan Heights attended by His Excellency Generoso D.G. Calonge, Ambassador of the Philippines to Israel, Maj. Gen. Natalio C. Ecarma III, Head of Mission and Force Commander of UNDOF, the respective contingent commanders of contributing states to UNDOF, liaison officers of the Israel Defense Force (IDF), and members of the Filipino Community in Israel;

WHEREAS, the 5th Philippine Peacekeeping Contingent forms part of the peacekeeping force composed of troops coming from Austria, Canada, Croatia, India and Japan tasked by the United Nations Security Council to maintain stability in the area;

WHEREAS, the outstanding service and dedication to duty displayed by our Filipino soldiers deployed in Golan Heights deserve to be commended for the honor they brought our country.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend the Filipino soldiers of the 5th Philippine Peacekeeping Contingent to the Golan Heights serving with the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) for being awarded United Nations medals for their contribution to peace and security in Golan Heights on 17 May 2012 at Camp Ziouani, Golan Heights.

Adopted,



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