

SENATE

P.S. Resolution No. 90

BY: 

Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR SECURING THE SILVER MEDAL IN THE WOMEN'S 53 KILOGRAM (KG) DIVISION OF THE WEIGHTLIFTING COMPETITION IN THE 2016 SUMMER OLYMPICS HELD AT RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL ON 7 AUGUST 2016.

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, paid honor to outstanding Filipino athletes for their remarkable and inspiring feats, which gained them international recognition and awards, thereby bringing home pride and glory to the country;

WHEREAS, 25 year-old Filipino weightlifter, Hidilyn Diaz made history for the Philippines after securing the silver medal in the women's 53 kilogram (kg) division of the weightlifting competition on Day 2 (7 August 2016) of the 2016 Summer Olympics held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, ending the country's 20 year Olympic medal drought¹.

WHEREAS, a Zamboanga City pride, Diaz has set the record to be the first female athlete to win an Olympic medal for the country and the first Filipino to secure medal in weightlifting competition².

WHEREAS, Diaz, who has previously joined the 2008 Beijing and 2012 London Summer Olympics but unsuccessful in securing a medal, was not deterred by these past experiences in pursuing her life-long dream of winning an Olympic medal. Rather, this time, equipped with her unwavering determination, discipline and focus on her craft, she has been successful in fulfilling her dream, an attribute which Filipinos exemplify in times of failures.

WHEREAS, this outstanding performance by our Filipino athlete deserves to be commended as it brought pride and honor to the Philippines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines to congratulate and commend Hidilyn Diaz for securing the silver medal in the women's 53 kilogram (kg) division of the weightlifting competition in the 2016 Summer Olympics held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on 7 August 2016.

Adopted,


CYNTHIA A. VILLAR

¹ <http://www.philstar.com/sports/2016/08/08/1611318/filipina-lifter-hidilyn-diaz-ends-countrys-20-year-olympic-medal-drought>

² <http://www.rappler.com/sports/specials/olympics/142282-hidilyn-diaz-olympic-weightlifting-women-53kg-silver-medal>