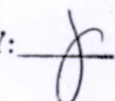




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RESOLUTION
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING JANELLE MAE FRAYNA FOR
BECOMING THE COUNTRY'S FIRST EVER WOMAN CHESS GRANDMASTER

WHEREAS, chess player Janelle Mae Frayna became the Philippines' first ever Woman Chess Grandmaster after clinching the third and final Woman Grandmaster (WGM) result with a 33-move draw against International Master Daavademberel Nomin-Erdene of Mongolia in a 1.5 – 2.5 decision in the ninth round of the 42nd World Chess Olympiad in Baku, Azerbaijan;

WHEREAS, the WGM is the highest-ranking chess title open exclusively to women chess players;

WHEREAS, Frayna, a 20-year old psychology student at Far Eastern University, achieved this historic feat by scoring seven points on five wins, four draws and one loss in ten games;

WHEREAS, Frayna's opponents included Grandmasters Nana Dzagnidze of Georgia and Dronavalli Harika of India, International Masters Nomin-Erdene of Mongolia and Olga Zimina of Italy, and Women International Masters Sabrina Latreche of Algeria and Alejandra Guerrero Rodriguez of Mexico;

WHEREAS, Frayna, who came close to the WGM title in the World Juniors in India last month but only placed fifth, used this new opportunity to regain her bearings and finally fulfill her dream;

WHEREAS, her recent accomplishment will put her on top of the 44 active Filipino women chess players listed in the World Chess Federation (FIDE) which is an international organization that serves as the governing body of national chess federations around the world;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulate and commend Janelle Mae Frayna for bringing pride and honor to the nation by becoming the country's first Woman Chess Grandmaster.

Adopted.


SONNY ANGARA