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Resolution No. 164

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Introduced by **Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ERNEST JOHN UY OBIENA**  
**FOR WINNING A GOLD MEDAL IN THE 26<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONALES**  
**STABHOCHSPRUNG IN JOCKGRIM, GERMANY, A BRONZE MEDAL IN**  
**THE WANDA DIAMOND LEAGUE IN LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND AND**  
**ANOTHER GOLD MEDAL IN THE TRUE ATHLETES CLASSIC 2022 IN**  
**LEVERKUSEN, GERMANY**

**WHEREAS**, Art. XIV, Section 19 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that "the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry;"

**WHEREAS**, it is in recognition of this policy that we recognize significant achievements in the field of sports to encourage and incentivize excellence among our athletes;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has, on numerous occasions, recognized and give commendation to outstanding Filipino athletes for bringing pride and honor to the country by winning in international sports events;

**WHEREAS**, Ernest John Uy Obiena, bagged a gold medal in the 26th Internationales Stabhochsprung-meeting after clearing 5.81 meters in Jockgrim, Germany;

**WHEREAS**, on August 24, 2022, Obiena beat 10 other competitors, including Tokyo Olympics silver medalist Christopher Nilsen of the United States, who cleared with 5.71, and Australia's Kurtis Marschall, who earned the third spot with 5.71;

**WHEREAS**, Obiena clinched the qualifying standard for the 2023 World Athletics Championships to be held in Budapest, Hungary;

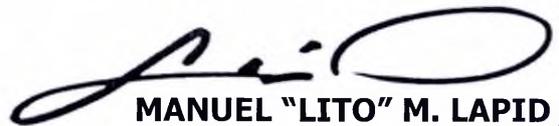
**WHEREAS**, Obiena bagged a bronze medal at the Athletissima after clearing 5.80 meters in the Wanda Diamond League in Lausanne, Switzerland;

**WHEREAS**, Obiena reigned yet again as he bagged another gold medal in the True Athletes Classic 2022 after clearing 5.81 meters in Leverkusen, Germany;

**WHEREAS**, Ernest John Uy Obiena deserves the highest praise and commendation for bringing honor and recognition to the country and for serving as an inspiration to future generations of Filipino athletes;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, for the Senate of the Philippines to express its congratulations and commendations to Ernest John Uy Obiena for winning a gold medal in the 26th Internationales Stabhochsprung in Jockgrim, Germany, a bronze medal in the Wanda Diamond League in Lausanne, Switzerland and another gold medal in the True Athletes Classic 2022 in Leverkusen, Germany.

*Adopted,*

  
**MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID**  
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