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**Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND RECOGNIZING FILIPINO CHESS PRODIGY, BINCE RAFAEL OPERIANO FOR BEING THE CHAMPION IN THE 6th EASTERN ASIA YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN BANGKOK, THAILAND**

1           **WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, give recognition  
2 and commendation to outstanding Filipinos for their exceptional feats of bringing  
3 honor, pride and glory to the country by garnering prestigious awards;  
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5           **WHEREAS**, the 1987 Constitution states that "The State shall promote physical  
6 education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports,  
7 including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork,  
8 and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry";  
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10           **WHEREAS**, the 6th Eastern Asia (ASEAN) Youth Chess Championship was held  
11 on 4-13 November 2022 in Bangkok, Thailand, and spearheaded by the Thailand  
12 Chess Association (TCA) under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation (ACF) and  
13 International Chess Federation (FIDE);  
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15           **WHEREAS**, almost 200 players joined the said chess competition, which  
16 featured under-8, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18-year-old brackets for male and female  
17 categories;

1           **WHEREAS**, Bince Rafael Operiano, 9 year-old chess prodigy from Oas, Albay,  
2 has clinched the championship in the 6th Eastern Asia Youth Chess Championship on  
3 11 November 2022;

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5           **WHEREAS**, Bince qualified to the competition after he won the National Youth  
6 and Schools Chess Championships Grand Finals Boys Under 9 Category, on 16 to 23  
7 September 2022 held at the Dapitan City Cultural Sports Complex, Zamboanga Del  
8 Norte;

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10           **WHEREAS**, At the age of 8, Bince is dubbed as the next Eugene Torre, one  
11 of the Philippines' chess Grandmasters;

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13           **WHEREAS**, Bince's masterful skills were discovered when he was just 6 years  
14 old after he won the National Age Chess Group Kiddie category, held at the Albay  
15 Astrodome, before the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown;

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17           **WHEREAS**, According to the National Chess Federation of the Philippines  
18 (NCFP), Bince will be granted the status of National Master (NM) when he reaches 10  
19 years old;

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21           **WHEREAS**, Bince, despite being young and impoverished, have shown  
22 determination, focus and dedication to mastery of chess, deserves commendation for  
23 bringing honor to our nation, and for inspiring fellow athletes to be the best in their  
24 respective field of sports;

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26           **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, to  
27 congratulate and recognize Filipino Chess Prodigy, Bince Rafael Operiano for being the  
28 champion in the 6th Eastern Asia Youth Chess Championship held in Bangkok,  
29 Thailand.

*Adopted,*

  
**RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.**