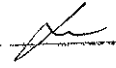


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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING RAFAEL "PAENG" NEPOMUCENO FOR HAVING BEEN CONFERRED HIS THIRD GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS CERTIFICATE IN HONOR OF HIS NEW WORLD RECORD FOR THE MOST NUMBER OF WORLDWIDE CAREER TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

WHEREAS, Rafael "Paeng" Nepomuceno won his latest world title at the Columbia 300-South Pacific Classic (SPC) bowling tournament in September 2007 in Melbourne, Australia; he captured his 118<sup>th</sup> tenpin bowling career title thus earning him a third Guinness Certificate for most tenpin-bowling titles in a career;

WHEREAS, the first Guinness certificate awarded to Paeng Nepomuceno was awarded to him for being the only bowler to win four World Cup titles in three different decades namely in 1976, 1980, 1992 and 1996;

WHEREAS, the second Guinness bestowed to Paeng Nepomuceno is in recognition of being the youngest at 19 to win the World Cup in Tehran, Iran in 1976;

WHEREAS, aside from the honors awarded by Guinness, the Filipino bowling sensation has likewise been recognized by other prestigious sports bodies like the Federation Internationale des Quilleurs (FIQ) as the "International Bowling Athlete of the Millennium" and Ambassador Extraordinaire for the sport of bowling and a President's trophy reward from the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the highest sports award given to an athlete, for winning various international titles like bowling World Cup, the Global International Championships, and the World Tenpin Masters gold medal champion;

WHEREAS, the six-time world champion has earned his world titles in five continents namely: the Americas, Europe, Asia, the Middle East and Africa; Nepomuceno has continuously brought pride and nobility to our country by harvesting international championships since he started competing internationally at a tender age of 12;

WHEREAS at the age of fifty-one (51), Paeng Nepomuceno's over thirty (30) years of international bowling achievements has made the Filipino bowler among the greatest international caliber athletes to land in the international sporting map;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to extend congratulations to Rafael "Paeng" Nepomuceno for having been conferred his third Guinness Book of World Records certificate in honor of his new world record for the most number of worldwide career tournament championship titles.

Adopted.

  
**GREGORIO B. HONASAN II**  
Senator