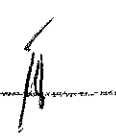


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RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE FILIPINO MATH OLYMPIANS WHO WON IN THE CHINA
PRIMARY MATH OLYMPIAD HELD IN HUBEI, CHINA

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 17 provides that "The State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development";

WHEREAS, last Friday, 49 Filipino elementary students returned home with a silver medal and 48 bronze medals from the China Primary Math Olympiad held in Hubei, China;

WHEREAS, among the winners, Michael Brodeth from Colegio de San Agustin in Makati City notched second place in the competition held on Monday and Tuesday at the Yichang while 48 pupils from 40 schools around the country, each won a third-honor recognition from the tournament;

WHEREAS, the China Primary Math Olympiad was categorized as the second next difficult tournament after the International Math Olympiad;

WHEREAS, according to Dr. Eduardo dela Cruz of the Mathematics Trainers Guild-Philippines (MTG), the tournament is a very tough one and the Philippines has only managed to win one gold medal since 2003;

WHEREAS, the efforts of the math whiz kids from different private and public schools in the Philippines paid off because we managed to have 49 honors and all the representatives each won an honor for the country;

WHEREAS, according to Dr. Simon Chua, MTG Philippines president, consistent impressive performance highlighted the fact that Filipinos can excel in mathematics;

WHEREAS, the Department of Education should institute appropriate programs to promote the interest and love for mathematics not just to win trophies and medals in international tournaments but to pave the way for students to pursue careers in the fields of engineering and science and technology;

WHEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, to commend the Filipino Math Olympians who won in the China Primary Math Olympiad held in Hubei, China.

Adopted,


MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO

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