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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 99
Submitted by the Committee on Foreign Affairs on NOV 27 2019
Re: House Concurrent Resolution No. 05
Recommending its adoption, in substitution of House Concurrent Resolution No. 04
Sponsor: Representative Ann K. Hofer

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Foreign Affairs to which was referred House Concurrent Resolution No. 04, introduced by Representative Ann K. Hofer, entitled:

"CONCURRENT RESOLUTION GIVING CONSENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY RAUL S. HERNANDEZ, FORMER AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPO TENTIARY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FROM 28 MAY 2014 TO 30 APRIL 2019 TO RECEIVE THE AWARD OF THE 'ORDER OF DIPLOMATIC SERVICE MERIT, FIRST CLASS' FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA"

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Concurrent Resolution No. 05, entitled:

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be adopted in substitution of House Concurrent Resolution No. 04.
Respectfully submitted,

ANN K. HOFER
Chairperson
Committee on Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Speaker
House of Representatives
Quezon City
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Quezon City. Metro Manila

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Introduced by Representative ANN K. HOFER

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WHEREAS, the Order of Diplomatic Merit, which consists of five grades, shall be awarded by the Government of the Republic of Korea to a person who has rendered outstanding meritorious service in the interest of enhancing national prestige and promoting amity with allies;

WHEREAS, the Order of Diplomatic Service Merit, First Class consists of a badge, a star, a lapel badge and ribbon;

WHEREAS, the Order of Diplomatic Service Merit, First Class, Gwanghwamun Medal, is the highest grade among the Order of Diplomatic Service Merit conferred to high level diplomats such as ambassadors and persons who hold higher positions than ambassadors, who have rendered outstanding meritorious service in the interest of enhancing national prestige and promoting amity with allies;

WHEREAS, His Excellency, Raul S. Hernandez while posted as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of the Philippines to the Republic of Korea from 28 May 2014 to 30 April 2019 delivered distinguished service in fostering not only stronger bilateral relations but also deeper people-to-people relations between the Republic of the Philippines and Republic of Korea;
WHEREAS, in recognition of his ardent efforts and contributions in enhancing Philippine-Korea relations, the Government of the Republic of Korea intends to honor His Excellency Raul S. Hernandez and the Republic of the Philippines by conferring the award of the Order of Diplomatic Service Merit, First Class upon him;

WHEREAS, Article IX, Sub-Article B, the Civil Service Commission, Section 8 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "No elective or appointive public officer or employee shall receive additional, double, or indirect compensation, unless specifically authorized by law, nor accept without the consent of Congress, any present, emolument, office, or title of any kind from any foreign government."


Adopted,