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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 283

Submitted by the Committee on Youth and Sports Development on MAR 10 2020

Re: House Resolution No. 784

Recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolutions Numbered 585, 596, 601, and 605

Sponsors: Representatives Eric M. Martinez, Pablo C. Ortega, "Kuya" Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado, Ria Christina G. Fariñas, and Antonio "Tonypet" Albano

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Youth and Sports Development to which were referred House Resolution No. 585 introduced by Rep. Pablo C. Ortega, entitled:

A RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE "ACT OF HEROISM" OF MR. ROGER CASUGAY DURING THE SURFING COMPETITION OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEAG) 2019 IN THE PROVINCE OF LA UNION

House Resolution No. 596 introduced by Rep. "Kuya" Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado, entitled:

RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING ROGER CASUGAY FOR WINNING THE PHILIPPINES’ FIRST-EVER GOLD MEDAL IN SURFING AT THE 30TH SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES AND COMMENDING HIS HEROIC ACT IN RESCUING INDONESIAN SURFER ARIP NURHIDAYAT IN THE MIDDLE OF THEIR ONE-ON-ONE RACE DURING THE SEMI FINALS

House Resolution No. 601 introduced by Rep. Ria Christina G. Fariñas, entitled:

RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE FILIPINO SURFER ROGER CASUGAY FOR EXHIBITING HEROISM DURING THE 2019 SOUTHEAST ASIAN (SEA) GAMES AND FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE MEN’S LONGBOARD COMPETITION IN SAN JUAN, LA UNION
and House Resolution No. 605 introduced by Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” Albano entitled:

RESOLUTION
COMMENDING ROGER CASUGAY FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE MEN’S LONGBOARD SURFING COMPETITION IN THE 30TH SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES IN SAN JUAN, LA UNION, PHILIPPINES AND FOR HIS HEROIC DEED OF RISKING HIS LIFE AND HIS CHANCE TO WIN THE SURFING EVENT IN SAVING THE LIFE OF AN INDONESIAN COMPETITOR

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

RESOLUTION
COMMENDING FILIPINO SURFER ROGER CASUGAY FOR EXHIBITING ACTS OF HEROISM IN RESCUING AN INDONESIAN COMPETITOR DURING THE SURFING COMPETITION OF THE 2019 SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEA GAMES) IN SAN JUAN LA UNION, AND FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE MEN’S LONGBOARD SURFING COMPETITION


Respectfully submitted,

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 784

(In substitution of House Resolutions Numbered 585, 596, 601 and 605)


RESOLUTION
COMMENDING FILIPINO SURFER ROGER CASUGAY FOR EXHIBITING AN ACT OF HEROISM IN RESCUING A FELLOW COMPETITOR DURING THE SURFING COMPETITION OF THE 2019 SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEA GAMES) IN SAN JUAN LA UNION, AND FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE MEN'S LONGBOARD SURFING COMPETITION

WHEREAS, the 30th edition of the Southeast Asian Games (SEA Games), a biennial regional multi-sport event, was hosted by the Philippines from November 30 to December 11, 2019 with competition venues spread in twenty-three (23) cities and municipalities across the island of Luzon;

WHEREAS, the 2019 SEA Games was the biggest SEA Games in history, featuring a total of fifty-six (56) sports, and five hundred thirty (530) events, including the most exciting yet dangerous sport of surfing;

WHEREAS, twenty-five-year old surfer Roger Casugay, a native of La Union, was a member of the contingent of top Filipino surfers who represented our country in the men's longboard competition, which was held in San Juan, La Union on December 6, 2019;

WHEREAS, in the course of the surfing competition, the ankle leash of Indonesia's Arip Nurhidayat was detached and he was swept away from his surfboard by strong waves;
WHEREAS, seeing that the life of a fellow competitor was in danger, Filipino surfer Roger Casugay risked his life when he rescued the Indonesian competitor, and brought him back to shore on his surfboard without regard to the possibility of losing in the competition;

WHEREAS, surfer Casugay’s display of a selfless act proved that sporting events are not only about winning medals but more about character, resilience, love and unity amidst diversity and competition;

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2019, Roger Casugay eventually won the gold medal in the men’s longboard surfing competition which indubitably exhibited his athletic prowess with a final score of 14.50, while his teammate and compatriot Rogelio Esquivel won the silver medal;

WHEREAS, surfer Roger Casugay’s athletic achievement and heroic deed embody the best and noblest in the character of a Filipino athlete, and thus deserves commendation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To commend Filipino surfer Roger Casugay for exhibiting an act of heroism in rescuing a fellow competitor during the surfing competition of the 2019 Southeast Asian Games in San Juan, La Union, and for winning the gold medal in the men’s longboard surfing competition.

Resolved, further, That surfer Roger Casugay be furnished with a copy of this Resolution.

Adopted,