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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 162

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Introduced by: **HON. LORNA C. SILVERIO**

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**A RESOLUTION  
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE 2019 PHILIPPINE CHEMISTRY  
TEAM WHO COMPETED IN THE 51<sup>ST</sup> INTERNATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD  
IN PARIS, FRANCE**

*Be it adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

**WHEREAS**, The 51<sup>ST</sup> International Chemistry Olympiad was held in Paris, France during the period July 21-30, 2019 and this edition is memorable because of UNESCO's resolution 202 EX/Decision 43 declaring 2019 as the International Year of the Periodic Table;

**WHEREAS**, It is the prestigious competition for the world's most talented chemistry students at the secondary school level which was founded in the former Czechoslovakia in 1968 and is held yearly ever since with the exception last 1971.

**WHEREAS**, this year's event was attended by 84 nations wherein Gold medals are given to the top 12% of the students, Silver medals the next 22%, Bronze medals the next 32% and Honorable mentions are the top 10% of the non-medalists.

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Chemistry Team which is comprised of 4 students from the Philippine Science High School (Main Campus) who competed for the third consecutive time and won one Silver medal, one Bronze and a Honorable mention which is a great improvement from last year's haul of two Bronze medals;

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 Philippine Chemistry Team is comprised of students Mr. Israel M. Aguba, Mr. Arthur Reiner V. De Belen, Mr. Julius D. Macling, Mr. Michael Cole M. Tantoco, Head of Delegation Dr. Jose Andaya, Coach Mr. Julius Saluria and Observer Dr. Rochelle Papsin;

**WHEREAS**, the Team made our country proud because in spite of the lack of state of art training facilities, sponsors, and media mileage, they have proven that the Filipino can compete with the world's best in the field of science;

**WHEREAS**, In spite being handicapped, they brought Honor and Pride to the country and set a golden example worth emulating;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**, to commend and congratulate the 2019 Philippine Chemistry Team students, mentors, coaches and especially the parents for participating and winning the hearts of the Filipino nation in the recently concluded 51st International Chemistry Olympiad held in Paris, France.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this Resolution be given to each member of the 2019 Philippine Chemistry Team and shall form part of the official records of the House of Representatives.

ADOPTED,

*Gerard B. Silvestre*