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Introduced by **KABATAAN PARTY-LIST Representative Sarah Jane I. Elago,**  
**ACT TEACHERS PARTY-LIST Representative France L. Castro,**  
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**and GABRIELA WOMEN'S PARTY Representative Arlene D. Brosas**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING HIDILYN DIAZ FOR WINNING THE**  
**HISTORIC FIRST PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL AND SETTING A NEW**  
**RECORD IN THE WOMEN'S 55 KG WEIGHTLIFTING COMPETITION AT THE**  
**TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES**

**WHEREAS,** Hidilyn Diaz bagged the Philippines' first ever Olympic gold medal in the Tokyo 2020 Olympics weightlifting competition on 26 July 2021 at the Tokyo International Forum;

**WHEREAS,** Diaz recorded a 97kg in the snatch and an Olympic record 127kg in the clean and jerk for a total of 224kg, also an Olympic record;

**WHEREAS,** with her silver medal placing in 2016, she became the first athlete from the Philippines to bag an Olympic medal since 1996 after Mansueto "Onyok" Velasco's silver medal in the men's light flyweight division;

**WHEREAS,** Diaz also became the first Filipino athlete to win double Olympic medals after her 2016 Rio Olympic silver medal conquest, 89 years after Teofilo Yldefonso's multi-medal in the 1928 and 1932 Olympics;

**WHEREAS,** in 2019, the administration included her, Gretchen Ho, and other popular personalities in a matrix of an alleged ouster plot against President Duterte, where Spokesperson Salvador Panelo called her and those whom they tagged as plotters "enemies of the state," based on a report coming from "the Office of the President, the President himself";

**WHEREAS,** in the same year, when she voiced out her problem regarding financial support for her Tokyo 2020 Olympics campaign for training and other related expenses, she was accused of being ungrateful and big-headed by some of her peers, personalities, and even government officials;

**WHEREAS,** despite the adversities, the red-tagging, and financial challenges that came along with her bid for the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, she managed to emerge victorious;

**WHEREAS,** the same struggle of mounting and clinching proper and adequate support for athletic endeavors have been experienced by our athletes due to the lack of funding and support systems;

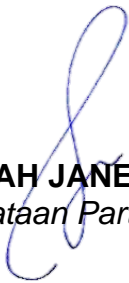
**WHEREAS**, this persistent problem of our athletes should be addressed by instituting sufficient funding based on the actual needs of our athletes, not just some paltry amount appropriated by the government;

**NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** the House of Representatives congratulates and commends Hidilyn Diaz for winning Gold in the Tokyo 2020 Olympics and setting a new record in the Weightlifting Women's 55 kg division;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT**, according to RA 10669, she is entitled to a cash reward of Php 10,000,000.00, and should be given directly to her in the soonest possible tonight, and should receive more from the government;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT**, Hidilyn Diaz should receive more funding in her succeeding bids, as well as other Filipino athletes who are in dire need of funding through actually appropriating sufficient funds for expenses incurred and necessary for athletic endeavors for all our athletes through the Philippine Sports Commission, in order for them to train under the most optimal conditions.

*Adopted,*



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