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Introduced by Senator PIA S. CAYETANO

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE TEAM UNDER THE JIU-JITSU FEDERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR THEIR EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMANCE AND MEDAL HAUL IN THE 2024 JU-JITSU INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION (JJIF) WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN HERAKLION, GREECE

WHEREAS, founded in 1998, the Ju-Jitsu International Federation (JJIF) is the international sport federation and global governing body for Jiu-Jitsu which oversees international competitions, sets rules and standards, and promotes and develops the sport worldwide;¹

WHEREAS, the Jiu-Jitsu Federation of the Philippines (JJFP) is the National Sports Association for Jiu-Jitsu established in 2015, with the purpose of leading the development of the sport in the country;²

WHEREAS, the 2024 JJIF World Championships, held in Heraklion, Greece from 23 to 28 October for the adult division and 29 October to November 3 for the youth division which brought together over 780 elite martial artists from 58 nations, who

¹ JJIF History. (n.d.). Ju Jitsu International Federation. https://jjif.sport/jjif-history/

² Mission and Vision. (n.d.). *Jiu Jitsu Federation of the Philippines.* https://jjfphil.wixsite.com/home?fbclid=lwY2xjawG5-gtleHRuA2FlbQlxMAABHW-RfhE8xfsARpon-q4n_hw ySjSNjNXpj9GVXH85XDfTJu4DNEET6MIHBg_aem_lv3CkHqlzN9lmhb13ddOGQ

competed in various categories of the sport, stands as one of the most prestigious international competitions in the world of martial arts;³

WHEREAS, the JJFP proudly represented the Philippines in the World Championships and achieved a remarkable feat by winning a total of twenty (20) medals – eight (8) won by the youth team and twelve (12) won by the adult team. This is broken down into four (4) golds, two (2) silvers, and fourteen (14) bronzes, across different weight and age categories. The medals were garnered by:⁴

Name	Medal	Event:
Youth		
Eavan Chang	Gold	U14 Male -40kg (Gi)
Eliecha Malilay	1 Gold 1 Bronze	U21 Female -45kg (No Gi and Gi)
Isabella Butler	Gold	U18 Female -59kg (GI)
Zeus Babanto	Silver	U16 Male +77kg (No Gi)
Mara Sarinas	2 Bronze	U16 Female -52kg (Gi and No Gi)
Ellise Malilay	Bronze	U18 Female -44kg (Gi and No Gi)
Jin Ong	Bronze	U16 Male -48kg (No Gi)
Bella Salamillas	Bronze	U14 Female -44kg (Gi)
Cole Shuster	Bronze	U16 Male -69kg (No Gi)
Blaine Tagudena	Bronze	U21 Male -56kg (No Gi)
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Kimberly Custodio	Gold	Female -45kg (Gi)

³ JJIF World Championships ADULTS 2024 in Heraklion. (n.d.). *Ju-Jitsu International Federation*. https://jjif.sport/the-worlds-2024-adults/

⁴ Jiu-Jitsu Federation of the Philippines Official Facebook Page. (n.d.). *Facebook*. https://www.facebook.com/jjfphilofficial/

Jollirine Co	Silver	Female -48kg (Gi)
Annie Ramirez	Bronze	Female -57kg (Gi)
Romeo Arellano	Bronze	Male -94kg (No Gi)
Joanne Tan	Bronze	Female +70kg (No Gi)
Daniella Palanca	Bronze	Female -45kg (Gi)
Dylan Valmores	Bronze	Female +70kg (No Gi)
Apryl Eppinger	Bronze	Female -70kg (No Gi)

^{*}Legend: Gi - with traditional uniform; No Gi - without traditional uniform

WHEREAS, our national athletes' exceptional achievements at the World Championships stand as a testament to their hard work and discipline, coupled with the unwavering dedication and support of their coaching and training staff;

WHEREAS, this success serves as an inspiration to the Filipino people, highlighting the Philippines' growing recognition and further potential in international martial arts, ultimately, fostering the rise and development of world-class Filipino martial artists;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulates and commends the Philippine Team under the Jiu-Jitsu Federation of the Philippines for their exceptional performance and medal haul in the 2024 JJIF World Championships in Heraklion, Greece.

Adopted,

