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RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE GREATEST POOL PLAYER OF ALL TIME, MR. EFREN MANALANG "BATA" REYES, POPULARLY KNOWN AS "THE MAGICIAN", FOR HIS INDUCTION INTO THE WORLD BILLIARDS HALL OF FAME HELD IN YUSHAN, CHINA ON 17 MARCH 2024

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WHEREAS, Efren Manalang Reyes, popularly known as "Efren Bata Reyes" and "The Magician" or simply "Efren Reyes" is widely recognized and acknowledged as the greatest pool player of all time. He was born on August 26, 1954 in Pampanga;

WHEREAS, Efren Bata Reyes achieved over one hundred (100) international titles and was the first player to win the World Pool-Billiard Association (WPA) World Championships both the nine-ball and eight-ball categories. He won four times at the Open Nine-ball Championship, the Sand Regency Nine-ball Championship, the All Japan Championship, as well as the WPA Asian Nine-ball tour seven times and the Derby City Classic thirteen times. He also represented the Philippines in the World Cup of Pool where he won with his partner Mr. Francisco Bustamante in 2006 and 2009;

WHEREAS, he received the honor of a lifetime achievement award from the Philippine Sportswriters Association (PSA) during the traditional San Miguel Corporation-Philippine Sportswriters Association (SMC-PSA) Awards Night held at the Centennial Hall of the Manila Hotel in March 6, 2020;


WHEREAS, "The Magician" is distinguished as a true master of the game of billiards, demonstrating exceptional skill, sportsmanship, and dedication throughout his career;

WHEREAS, Mr. Efren Reyes' recent induction into the hall of fame in the world of billiards is a testament to his unwavering commitment to excellence and his lasting impact in the sport: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to commend, as it hereby commends the greatest pool player of all time, Mr. Efren Manalang "Bata" Reyes, popularly known as "The Magician", for his induction into the World Billiards Hall of Fame held in Yushan, China on 17 March 2024; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to Mr. Efren "Bata" Reyes.

PRESIDED BY:


MACARIO M. LACSON
President Pro-Tempore and
Acting Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

This Resolution was adopted by the City Council of Manila at its regular session on March 26, 2024.

ATTESTED:


LUCH R. GEMPIS, JR.
City Government Department Head III
Secretary to the City Council