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RESOLUTION URGING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS MUSEUM TO INCLUDE MR. MARIANO FILOMENO, A FILIPINO BASKETBALL ATHLETE, IN THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS HALL OF FAME BEING A PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE LEGENDARY PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BASKETBALL TEAM

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WHEREAS, the City Council of Manila has consistently given recognition and commendation to exemplary Filipino athletes for bringing honor and pride to the city and the country, as well by winning accolades in international competitions through their relentless pursuit of sports excellence;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8757, entitled: "An Act Establishing the Philippine Sports Hall of Fame and Appropriating Funds Therefor", aims to honor Filipino athletes, coaches and trainers who have excelled in their respective sports;

WHEREAS, Mariano Filomeno was born on 4 May 1910, in Malate, Manila, and was orphaned at the age of six (6). He attended school in the morning while working in the afternoon, and played basketball in the evening;

WHEREAS, the distinguished hoopster graduated from the University of Santo Tomas (UST) in 1936 with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Education Major in Physical Education. He was an all-around athlete, but his favorite game was basketball in which at the age of eighteen (18), he became an Olympic Player;

WHEREAS, Mr. Filomeno was known as "Old Reliable and a scoring machine in his days. An asian paper also once called him "the Best Basketball Player in the Orient" and also became part of the Legendary Philippine National Basketball Team which competed in the following events:

- 1923 in Osaka, Japan Champion
- 1925 Far Eastern Games of Manila Champion
- 1927 in Shanghai, China Champion
- 1930 in Tokyo, Japan Champion
- 1934 in Manila Champion

WHEREAS, Mr. Filomeno played an exemplary role in basketball history and brought honor, not only to the City of Manila but to the whole country, as well: NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, by the City Council of Manila to urge, as it hereby urges the Philippine Sports Museum to include Mr. Mariano Filomeno, a Filipino basketball athlete, in the Philippine Sports Hall of Fame being a prominent member of the legendary Philippine National Basketball Team; and be it FURTHER

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Philippine Sports Museum and to Mr. George Filomeno, grandson of Mr. Mariano Filomeno.

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City Council, Manila

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

ATTESTED:

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