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CONGRATULATING GUAM'S PARTICIPATION IN THE IV MICRONESIAN GAMES

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in the house of representatives

Wednesday, October 7, 1998

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, during the first ten days of August this year, the 1998 Micronesian Games were held in the Republic of Palau. Noted for its natural beauty, friendly people and world famous dive spots, the Republic played host to the IV Micronesian Games, the largest sports event ever to be held within this group of islands. Delegations of over two thousand athletes and coaches from as far away as Kiribati and Nauru made the trip to the archipelago. Team Guam, consisting of over 200 participants and officials, came to compete with our brothers and sisters from all over the Western Pacific and to defend the medals earned during the last Micronesian Games held four years ago on Guam.

Once again, the Guam delegation performed particularly well. I would like to commend and congratulate Team Guam for their superb performance, efforts and contributions toward the success of the Games. Participating in regional competitions such as the Micronesian Games strengthens our relations with our neighbors and prepares our athletes for higher levels of competition.

I am pleased to submit for the Record the names of Guam athletes who have distinguished themselves by winning medals during the IV Micronesian Games.

Gold Medal Winners

Table Tennis

Men's Single: Carlos Gumataotao.

Basketball

Men's Team: Manuel Alegre, Vincent Bautista, Carmen Blas, Joey Almoguera, Joseph P. Cepeda, Daniel D. Cepeda, Richard Gutierrez, Michael Lee, Arnold Mesa, Jine Ho Han, Jesse Pinaula, Mike Swaney, Paul Shimizu, Melvin F. Peters.

Lawn Tennis

Men's Team: Mark Arakawa, Alfred Feria, Lynn Nguyen, David L. Smith.

Men's Doubles: Lynn Nguyen, Mark Arakawa, Mixed Doubles: Lynn Nguyen, Linda Johnson.

Women's Individual: Linda Johnson.

Volleyball

Women's Team: Debra Bell, Francine Calvo, Lucia Calvo, Dolores Cruz, Mie Endo, Sharon Mendoza, Deborah D. Pangelinan, Leticia Pangelinan, Rebecca Salas, Sonda Yatar, Michelle Cruz-Taisipic, Lisa Muna.

Softball

Men's Team: Peter B. Aguon, Melan C. Borja, Frenando S. Diaz, John D. Hattig, Raymond Rojas, Edward T. Laguana, Richard B. Martinez, Vincent E.M. Meno, Peter P. Pangelinan, Frank P. Quintanilla, Albert L. Rdialul.

Women's Team: Jennifer M. Aguon, Josephine M.P. Blas, Arlene Cepeda, Margaret M. Cepeda, Kauleen Crisostomo, Maria B. Cruz, Carla V. Dulay, Vickie Fejeran, Darleen Rayburn, Vitolia Love, Susan Miner, Lillian Quintanilla, Luann Guzman, Marcelle Rivera, Arlinda Sablan, Tara Steffy, Monica Fernandez.

Canoeing

Women's Team (8 mile): Susan Hendricks, Venesia Luzanta, Irene Meritita, Melanie Mesa, Nicole Murphy, Julie Paxton, Agnes Suba, Jorgi Strand hagen, Junko Suzuki.

Men's Team (500 m): Anthony Blas, Marcelito Carlos, Randy Sager, Benjamin Del Rosario, Grafton L. Howard, David Torre, Magahet Mendiola, Andrew Painter, Uati Taua, Raymond Rojas.

Wrestling

Greco-Roman (213 lbs): Joe Santos.
Greco-Roman (167 lbs): Karido Goodrich.
Greco-Roman (160 lbs.): Darryl Gose.
Greco-Roman (158 lbs): Melchor Manibusan.
Freestyle (213 lbs): Joe Santos.
Freestyle (167 lbs): Ben Hernandez.
Freestyle (158 lbs): Melchor Manibusan.

Underwater Fishing

Team: Roberto Cabreza, Joseph Hobson, Kenneth Pier.
Individual Event: Joe Hobson.

Swimming

500m Butterfly: Musashi Flores.
500m Freestyle: Musashi Flores.

Athletics

10,000m: Brent Butler.
5,000m: Brent Butler.
1,500m: Brent Butler.
800m: Neil Weare.
High Jump: Joseph Skeritt.

Discus: Rene Delmar.

4400m Relay: Jenae Skeritt, Sloan Seigrist, Jacqueline Baza, Aubrey Posadas.

3,000m: Jenae Skeritt.

1,500m: Sloan Seigrist.

800m: Jenae Skeritt.

400m: Jacqueline Baza.

High Jump: Jenae Skeritt.

Long Jump: Aubrey Posadas.

Silver Medal Winners

Canoeing

Women's Team: 2500M; 500m.

Table Tennis

Men's Team Overall: Chris Candaso, Carlos I. Gumataotao, Francisco Gumataotao, Frank G. Gumataotao.

Women's Team Overall: Natalie I. Gumataotao, Bina Lujan, Donna Santos.

Men's Doubles: Carlos Gumataotao, Frank Gumataotao, Jr.

Lawn Tennis

Women's Team Overall: Anita P. Feria, Linda R. Johnson, Kuba Otomi.

Women's Doubles: Anita P. Feria, Linda R. Johnson.

Swimming

100m Butterfly: Musashi Flores.

4X100m Free Relay: Musashi Flores, Joshua Taitano.

5X50m Medley Relay: Musashi Flores.

400m Freestyle: Joshua Taitano.

100m Backstroke: Joshua Taitano.

4X50m Medley Relay: Peter Manglona, Alison Aglubat, Daniel Kang, Molly Boyd, Chirika Aguon, Lorianne Sablan, Joshua Taitano.

4X100m Freestyle Relay: Alison Aglubat, Daniel Kang, Molly Boyd, Chirika Aguon, Lorianne Sablan, Gilbert Mendiola.

Athletics

1500m: Neil Weare.

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4X100m Relay: Neil Weare, Ryan Claros, Paul Claros, Phil Am Garcia.

Shot Put: Rene Delmar.

1500m: Jenae Skeritt.

800m: Sloan Seigrist.

200m: Jacqueline Baza.

Basketball

Women's Team: Joyce Q. Aflleje, Trinidad Borjka, Liezel M.

Delin, Melissa Elwell, Kristina French, Tarsha Okiyama, Michele L. Presnell, Catherine P. Sison, Michelle P. Sison, Teresa P. Sison, Tara Taitano, Marina M. Vergara, Satrina Chargualaf, Tony Thompson.

Volleyball

Men's Team: Ryan T. Balajadia, Jason J. Camacho, Gerson T. Hoebing, Rayond J. Mantanona, Steven V. Pangelinan, Jesse G. Perez, Michael Rabago, Marvin Rojas, Richard M. Tumanda, Peter L. Valdez, Joel R. Valenzuela, Richard Y. Ybanez, Barbara Quinata, Daniel J. Hattig.

Wrestling

118 lbs. Greco Roman: Tony Santos.
127 lbs. Freestyle: Darryl Gose.
188 lbs. Greco Roman: Mike Taijeron.

Bronze Medal Winners

Canoeing

Men's Team: 8 mile.

Wrestling

118 lbs. Freestyle: Tony Santos.

Table Tennis

Women's Doubles: Donna Santos, Natalie Gumataotao.

Weightlifting

169 lbs. Best of Snatch: Edgar Molinas.
169 lbs. Clean & Jerk: Edgar Molinas.
231 lbs. Best of Snatch: Jeff Ludwig.
231 lbs. Clean & Jerk: Jeff Ludwig.

Athletics

400m: David Neilsen.
4X400m Relay: Neil Weare, Ryan Claros, Paul Claros, Phil Am Garcia.

Baseball

Men's Team: Steven Alcantara, Wilton Acta, Dale Alvarez, Joey J. Blas, Rico R. Castro, Brian Cruz, Dominio Cruz, Issac N. Cruz, Roman Duenas, Kin Fernandez, Vince Gumataotao, Larence Idelbong, Kevin Isezaki, Thomas A. Morrison, Barry Nauta, Shaun A. Pascua, Raymond Quintanilla, Jim S. Reyes, Mark Roberts, Joseph Tuquero, Anthony F. A. Yatar, Rosita Cruz, Ryan Flynn, Darly Haun.

Swimming

2 mile ocean swim: Travis Bryce.
400m Individual Medley: Josehua Taitano.
100m Breastroke: Peter Manglona.
50m Backstroke: Samuel Lee.
200m Breastroke: Alison Aglubat.
100m Breastroke: Alison Aglubat.
200m Breastroke: Daniel Kang.

Lawn Tennis

Men's Individual: Lynn Nguyen.
Men's Doubles: Alfred Feria, Dave Smith.
