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RESOLUTION NO. 113

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MR. CARLO PAALAM FOR WINNING THE SILVER MEDAL IN THE MEN'S BOXING FLYWEIGHT EVENT OF THE 2020 TOKYO OLYMPICS

WHEREAS, on 7 August 2021, Mr. Carlo Paalam won the silver medal in the men's boxing flyweight (48-52 kg.) event of the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and became the country's fourth Olympic silver medalist in boxing after Anthony Villanueva (1964), Mansueto "Onyok" Velasco, Jr. (1996), and Nesthy Petecio (2020); $\boldsymbol{2}$

WHEREAS, Mr. Paalam previously bagged the gold medal in the 30th Southeast Asian Games in 2019, the 1st Thailand International Boxing Tournament in 2018, the 10th AIBA International Boxing Tournament in 2018, and the President's Cup in 2017, and the bronze medal in the AIBA Youth Asian and World Championship in 2016 and the Asian Games in 2018;

WHEREAS, born on 16 July 1998 to a farming couple in Talakag, Bukidnon, he was six years old when his family relocated to Cagayan de Oro, Misamis Oriental, where he spent his days scavenging bottles and plastics to trade for some change to help support his family;

WHEREAS, he got his first taste of the sport when a neighbor asked him to spar with his son for a bottle of Coke and he later caught the eye of local sports officials after competing in a boxing event in 2009;

WHEREAS, nurtured and supported by Cagayan de Oro City Mayor Oscar Moreno, he won the gold medal in the 2013 Philippine Youth Games or "Batang Pinoy," joined the national team in 2014, and later qualified for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics with his 2nd place ranking in the amateur boxing flyweight category by the International Olympic Committee Boxing Task Force;

WHEREAS, his silver-medal performance at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics has brought pride, glory, and inspiration to the Filipino people and has once again proven to the world the persistence and indomitable spirit of the Filipino athlete, for which he deserves to be honored and commended: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, To congratulate and commend, as it hereby congratulates and commends, Mr. Carlo Paalam for winning the silver medal in the Men's Boxing Flyweight event of the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Adopted,

C. SOTTO III ICENTE. President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on September 1, 2021.

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MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate

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