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RESOLUTION No. 52

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING EUMIR FELIX MARCIAL FOR HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT PROFESSIONAL BOXING VICTORY AFTER CONQUERING A MIDDLEWEIGHT MATCH IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, USA

WHEREAS, on 11 February 2023, Tokyo Summer Olympics bronze medalist Eumir Felix Marcial won against Argentinian Ricardo Ruben Villalba in an eight-round middleweight bout at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas, USA;

WHEREAS, the 27-year-old Olympic boxer (4-0, 2 KOs) from Lunzuran, Zamboanga City stays unbeaten in his professional boxing career as he achieved his second knockout

in the professional ranks after stopping the more experienced Villalba (20-8-1, 8 KOs) just 48 seconds into the second round;

WHEREAS, this is Mr. Marcial's fourth straight victory after coming off a unanimous decision win over American Steven Pichardo in October 2022, in a match where Mr. Marcial had to overcome an unintentional headbutt cut above his right eye. He showcased his superior boxing skills and punch power to shut down his opponent, 60-54;

WHEREAS, Mr. Marcial was conferred the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence on 1 September 2021 for winning the bronze medal in the men's middleweight boxing division at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. He has brought home several other victories for the country since 2011, including the gold medal in the AIBA Junior World Championships (2011), the gold medal at the Southeast Asian Games (2015), a bronze medal at the Asian Games (2018), and a silver medal at the AIBA World Championships (2019), among others;

WHEREAS, Mr. Marcial has fought for the Philippines not just in the ring but also as a member of the Philippine Air Force (PAF) since 2013 with a rank of Sergeant, and as an organic personnel of the PAF's Civil Military Operations Group;

WHEREAS, Mr. Marcial's victory has once again proven to the world the exceptional skills and talent of the Filipino athlete. His impressive performance has brought pride and inspiration to the Filipino people, and thus merits honor and recognition: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Philippine Senate, To congratulate and commend Eumir Felix Marcial for his fourth straight professional boxing victory after conquering a middleweight match in San Antonio, Texas, USA.

Adopted,

WAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 13, 2023.

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Secretary of the Senate