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Introduced by SENATOR VICENTE C. SOTTO III	_
RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING YUKA SASO FOR HER HISTORIC WIN IN THE 76 <sup>TH</sup> US WOMEN'S OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP HELD AT THE OLYMPIC CLUB IN SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, USA ON 06 JUNE 2021	-

**WHEREAS,** the 2021 US Women's Open is played from June 3 to 6, 2021 at The Olympic Club in San Francisco, California, USA;

**WHEREAS,** the US Women's Open is one of the nine national golf championships conducted by the United States Golf Association (USGA) and the oldest of the Ladies Professional Golf Association's (LPGA) five major championships;

WHEREAS, Yuka Saso, a 19-year-old Filipino-Japanese, made a historic win for the Philippines when she was crowned as the 2021 US Women's Open champion against Japanese Nasa Hataoka held on 06 June 2021;

**WHEREAS,** Saso's bagging of the aforesaid title made history as the first Filipino to win the prestigious tournament and engrave her name on the Harton S. Semple Trophy;

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**WHEREAS,** during the championship, Saso converted a 12-foot birdie putt on the first sudden-death playoff hole after Saso and Hataoka made back-to-back pars in the two-hole aggregate playoff<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS,** at the age of 19 years, 11 months, 17 days old, Saso joined World Golf Hall of Fame member and seven-time major winner Inbee Park as the youngest champion in U.S. Women's Open history to date<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS,** Saso had already made history for the Philippines when she won both individual and team gold in the 2018 Asian Games in Jakarta, where she played with Bianca Pagdanganan and LK Go<sup>3</sup>;

**WHEREAS,** in a sport which is mainly participated and won by Americans and Europeans, Yuka Saso's win in the US Women's Open Golf Championship has put the name of the Philippines on the map, and has absolutely given joy, pride, honor, and inspiration to the country and Filipino people;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to congratulate and commend Yuka Saso for her historic win in the 76<sup>th</sup> US Women's Open Golf Championship held at The Olympic Club in San Francisco, California, USA on 06 June 2021.

Adopted,

Mul M ENTE C. SOTTO

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/championships/2021/u-s--womens-open/articles/philippinesaso-steals-show-playoff-olympic-2021-uswo.html#returnable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Supra

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://news.abs-cbn.com/sports/06/07/21/golf-ngap-statement-yuka-saso