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Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING TEEN GOLFER YUKA SASO FOR WINNING THE 2021 US WOMEN'S OPEN AND BECOMING THE FIRST FILIPINO PLAYER TO EVER WIN A MAJOR GOLF TOURNAMENT

WHEREAS, Yuka Saso, a 19-year-old professional golfer from San Ildefonso, 1 Bulacan, has become the 76th US Women's Open Champion by winning the 2021 US 2 Women's Open Golf Tournament held from June 4-7, 2021 (Philippine Time) at The 3 Olympic Club Lake Course, San Francisco, California; 4 WHEREAS, the teen golfer overcame a rough start in the competition with two 5 double bogeys in the early round to earn a thrilling playoff against Japan's Nasa 6 Hataoka as they tied for the lead with 4-under 280 score. Saso's 10-foot putt for birdie 7 on the sudden death third hole, after the two players parred the initial two playoff 8 holes, secured her win in the women's game's oldest major; 9 WHEREAS, at 19 years, 11 months, 17 days old, Filipina-Japanese Saso 10

matched Inbee Park of South Korea to the day as the youngest champion in U.S. Women's Open history;

WHEREAS, as this year's champion, Saso receives the following prizes and privileges: the Mickey Wright Medal; Custody of the Harton S. Semple Trophy for one year; Exemption from qualifying for the next ten U.S. Women's Opens; Exemptions into the next five AIG Women's British Opens, KPMG Women's PGA Championships, Amundi Evian Championships and ANA Inspirations; and a \$1 million check;

WHEREAS, Saso was recently named "Athlete of the Year" by the Philippine
Sportswriters Association (PSA) after winning straight titles in the Japan Ladies
Professional Golf Association (LPGA) and finish 13th overall in the US Open during
her first crack at a major LPGA championship at her rookie season. This is Saso's
second time in the last three years to win the Athlete of the Year honor, but her first
as an individual awardee;
WHEREAS, Saso was also a double gold medal winner in the 2018 Asian Games
held in Pondok Indah Golf and Country Club in Jakarta, Indonesia;

WHEREAS, Saso's latest and historic triumph, which brought immense honor and pride to the country and firmly put Philippine golf on the world map, merits recognition from the Philippine Senate;

WHEREAS, her consistent display of exceptional skill, perseverance despite the odds and adversity, and focus and grace under pressure are all traits worthy of emulation not only for her fellow athletes, but of the entire populace;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to congratulate and commend teen golfer Yuka Saso for winning the 2021 US Women's Open and becoming the first Filipino player to ever win a major golf tournament.

Adopted,

RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.