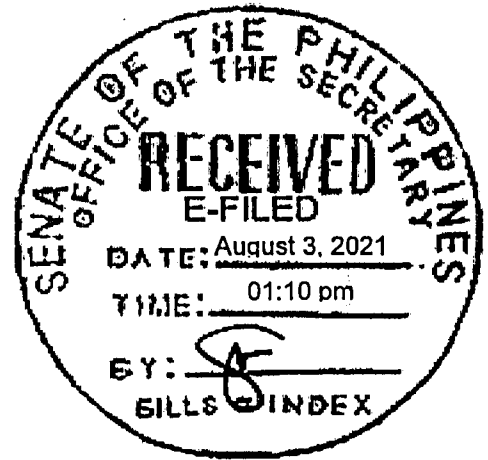


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SENATE
P.S.RES. No. 816

Introduced by SENATOR RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION
COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING NESTHY PETECIO FOR WINNING
THE SILVER MEDAL IN THE WOMEN'S FEATHERWEIGHT DIVISION IN
BOXING IN THE 2020 OLYMPICS IN TOKYO, JAPAN

1 Whereas, the Senate of the Philippines has, on numerous occasions,
2 recognized and paid tribute to distinguished Filipinos for their remarkable
3 achievements in international sporting competitions which brought honor and pride
4 to the country;

5 Whereas, Nesthy Petecio, 29-year-old native of Davao del Sur, won the silver
6 medal in the Women's Featherweight (54-57 kg) division in boxing held in Kokugikan
7 Arena in Tokyo, Japan on August 3, 2021 during the 2020 Olympic Games;

8 Whereas, in her Olympic debut, Petecio bested formidable opponents in the
9 preliminary rounds, namely 2017 African champion Marcelat Sakobi Matshu of
10 Democratic Republic of Congo and 2018 bantamweight world champion Lin Yu-Ting
11 of Chinese Taipei, to advance to the quarter finals;

12 Whereas, on July 28, 2021, she already secured a bronze medal for the
13 country when she defeated via a unanimous decision Yeni Marcela Arias Casteneda
14 of Colombia during the quarter final round;

15 Whereas, Petecio, standing at 5'2" in height, conquered the 5'8" tall, 2019
16 European champion Irma Testa of Italy in the semifinals via a split (4-1) decision to
17 advance to the championship bout. The Filipina boxer faced off Sena Irie of Japan in
18 the final round to cop the silver medal;

1 Whereas, her podium finish is the country's first in the sport after twenty-five
2 years, since Manuesto "Onyok" Velasco, Jr. won the silver medal in 1996 Summer
3 Olympics in Atlanta, Georgia, USA;

4 Whereas, her silver medal win follows the historic Olympic gold medal feat of
5 Hidilyn Diaz in weightlifting last July 26, 2021 to become the country's first multiple
6 medal victory in eighty-nine years, since the 1932 Olympics where the Philippines
7 captured three bronze medals;

8 Whereas, Petecio, who is the 2019 AIBA Women's World Boxing Champion in
9 the featherweight division and a gold medallist and three-time silver medallist in the
10 Southeast Asian (SEA) Games, became the first Filipina boxer to claim an Olympic
11 medal, after Jose Villanueva in 1932 (Los Angeles, USA), Anthony Villanueva in 1964
12 (Tokyo, Japan), Leopoldo Serantes in 1988 (Seoul South Korea), Roel Velasco in
13 1992 (Barcelona, Spain) and Mansueto Velasco, Jr. in 1996 (Atlanta);

14 Whereas, her unwavering commitment to the sport despite previous losses
15 and challenges posed by the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, and her relentless pursuit
16 of Olympic excellence since taking up the sport competitively at the age of fifteen
17 exemplify indomitable spirit and strength of character worthy of emulation by the
18 youth;

19 Whereas, her outstanding performance and momentous triumph brings
20 inspiration, hope and pride to the entire Filipino nation in this difficult time of the
21 global health crisis;

22 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate,
23 to commend and congratulate Nesthy Petecio for winning the silver medal in the
24 Women's Featherweight Division in Boxing in the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, Japan.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.