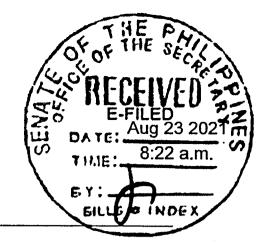
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Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING EUMIR MARCIAL FOR WINNING A BRONZE MEDAL IN MEN'S BOXING AT THE 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES IN TOKYO, JAPAN

WHEREAS, on August 05, 2021, Eumir Marcial won bronze in the men's boxing middleweight (69-75 kg) category at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo to give the Philippines another Olympic medal;

WHEREAS, his dominating performance en route to the Olympic medal bout has shown that Filipinos are among the world's best athletes in the sport of boxing. He defeated Nemouchi Younes of Algeria in the preliminaries-round of 16 by referee stops contest due to injury and Darchinyan Arman of Armenia in the quarterfinals by knockout;

WHEREAS, born on October 29, 1995 in Zamboanga, Eumir Marcial came from a family involved in boxing. His father, who coached young boxers in Zamboanga, trained him from age seven. His cousin, Anthony Marcial, who represented the Philippines at the 2006 Asian Games in Doha, Qatar and is a professional boxer, inspired him to become a boxing athlete;

WHEREAS, he became the first Filipino boxer to win a gold medal at the world junior championships by claiming victory in the light bantamweight category at the 2011 edition in Astana, Kazakhstan;

WHEREAS, he saw boxing as an opportunity to help his family improve their financial situation. He used to compete every month in his hometown to win the 30 USD cash price and bring home rice, coffee and money to his mother;

WHEREAS, he turned professional and began training in Los Angeles, California in 2020 to keep him at the level of experience of professional boxers he may face in the Olympics;

preparations for the Olympics were not the only challenges he faced on his way to victory, tragedy struck his family just days into his Olympic preparations in Los Angeles, California when his brother, Eliver Marcial, passed away in October 2020;

WHEREAS, the lack of funds to support his training and the back-breaking

WHEREAS, he fought against the odds, difficult financial situation and loss of a family member did not stop Eumir Marcial from representing the country and realizing his Olympic dream;

WHEREAS, he represents the world-class quality of Filipino boxers and the enduring spirit of the Filipino people in the face of adversities;

WHEREAS, Eumir Marcial has represented the country well by showing the world the true meaning of Filipino strength and resilience. His outstanding performance deserves to be celebrated and the Senate congratulates him for bringing honor and acclaim to the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines congratulates and commends Eumir Marcial for winning a bronze medal in men's boxing at the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, Japan.

Adopted,

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