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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MARLON TAPALES FOR WINNING THE WORLD **BOXING ASSOCIATION** INTERNATIONAL **BOXING** FEDERATION (IBF) WORLD SUPER **BANTAMWEIGHT TITLES**

WHEREAS, Article XIV, Section 19 of the Philippine Constitution states 1 that "the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports 2 programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for 3 international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork and excellence 4 for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry"; 5 6 WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate, on numerous occasions has paid 7 tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes for their invaluable contribution to the 8 sport by bringing pride and honor to our country; 9 10 11 WHEREAS, Marlon Tapales, won a split decision over his Uzbek opponent at the Boeing Center at Tech Port in San Antonio, Texas to become 12 the WBA and IBF World Super Bantamweight Champion; 13 14 WHEREAS, Marlon Tapales, exhibited an impressive performance by 15 outboxing the previously unbeaten Murodjon Akhmadaliev to secure victory 16

and claim the world title in a higher weight division;

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WHEREAS, the 2 judges scored the bout in favor of the Mindanaoan boxer, 115-113 improving his boxing record of 37 victories against 3 defeats and 0 draws;

WHEREAS, Marlon's victory over his undefeated opponent demonstrates that the Filipinos are truly a force to be reckoned with in the boxing ring, capable of displaying the spirit of unrelenting competitiveness;

WHEREAS, Tapales' triumphant feat is only befitting to be given due distinction for he has brought pride and honor to his fellow countrymen and had served as an inspiration to all Filipino athletes: Now, therefore, be it;

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it hereby resolved, to commend and congratulate Marlon Tapales for winning the World Boxing Association (WBA) and International Boxing Federation (IBF) World Super Bantamweight titles.

Adopted,

SENATOR CHRISTO HER LAWRENCE "BONG" T. GO