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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING ISLAY ERIKA BOMOGAO AND THE TEAM OF YOUNG FILIPINO MUAY THAI FIGHTERS ON THEIR VICTORY IN THE 2023 INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF MUAYTHAI ASSOCIATIONS (IFMA) SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD ON MAY 03 TO 13, 2023 IN BANGKOK, THAILAND

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to give priority to sports, among others, to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development (Section 17, Article II, Constitution) and promote sports to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry (Section 19, Article XIV, Constitution);

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines, as an institution, continues to uphold the value of sports in nation-building, as it promotes our sense of national identity as a people by recognizing exemplary Filipino athletes whose achievements in the international arena have brought great pride and honor to the country;

WHEREAS, Muay Thai or Thai Boxing, which was developed hundreds of years ago in Thailand, is a form of close combat where fighters utilize their entire body as a weapon. At present, this stand-up striking sport is being played not only in Thailand but also in other parts of the world by men and women of various ages;

WHEREAS, on 03 to 13 of May 2023, a group of young Filipino Muay Thai artists triumphed in the recently concluded 2023 International Federation of Muaythai

1 Associations (IFMA) Senior World Championships held in Bangkok, Thailand;

WHEREAS, leading the pack is Islay Erika Bomogao, an Igorot warrior from the mountains of Cordillera, who became the First Filipina Muay Thai World Champion at the 2023 IFMA Senior World Championship. Bomogao topped the senior female elite 45-kilogram category while also bagging silver in the senior female Wai Kru (boxing dance) category;

WHEREAS, this is not the first time Bomogao has proven her tenacity inside the Muay Thai ring before the international arena. In 2017, she bagged a gold medal in the 1st World Martial Arts Masterships in Jincheon, South Korea, before her phenomenal triumph at the IFMA World Youth Muay Thai Championship in Thailand in 2018. Bomogao also managed to bring home a silver medal in the 2019 East Asian Muay Thai Championships;

WHEREAS, also emerging victorious in the 2023 IFMA Senior World Championships was the dynamic duo of Rhichien Yosorez and Alyssa Kylie Mallari as they snatched gold medal in the under-23 female Mai Muay category.

WHEREAS, Johnden Aldana Jr. also bagged the silver medal in the senior male 18-24 Wai Kru category, while April Joy La Madrid bagged the silver medal in the under-23 female Wai Kru category.

WHEREAS, Adelle Vinscent Rosales and LJ Rafael Yasay also grabbed the silver medal in the under-23 Male Mai Muay, with the latter also snatching a bronze medal in the senior male 51-kilogram category;

WHEREAS, the remarkable achievements of these young athletes serve as empowering icons and source of inspiration to young Filipino athletes to strive in the field of sports;

WHEREAS, the sense of patriotism and devotion of our Muay Thai fighters to our country through sports bring immense glory and pride to the Filipino people: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, To commend and congratulate Islay Erika Bomogao and the team of young Filipino Muay Thai fighters

on their victory in the 2023 International Federation of Muaythai Associations (IFMA)

2 Senior World Championships held on May 3 to 13 2023 in Bangkok, Thailand.

Adopted,

ROBINHOOD PADILLA

Senator