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Introduced by Senator Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada

RESOLUTION CONFERRING THE PHILIPPINE SENATE MEDAL OF EXCELLENCE TO 2024 PARIS OLYMPICS BRONZE MEDALIST NESTHY PETECIO

1 WHEREAS, Resolution No. 110 establishes the Philippine Senate Medal of 2 Excellence in order to recognize, honor and commend outstanding Filipinos for their 3 exemplary service, outstanding achievements and invaluable contributions to nation-4 building; 5 WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence is conferred upon Filipinos who are recipients of the Nobel Prize, Pulitzer Prize, the A.M. Turing Award, 6 7 the Ramon Magsaysay Award, or an Olympic medal; 8 WHEREAS, Nesthy Petecio is a 32-year-old Filipina boxer from Santa Cruz, 9 Davao del Sur who won the bronze medal in women's boxing 57-kg class in the 2024 10 Summer Olympics in Paris, France; 11 WHEREAS, on 30 July 2024, Petecio, standing at 5'2", toppled via unanimous win Jaismine Lamboria of India, a 5'9" fighter with considerable height and reach 12 13 advantage, in her inaugural bout held in North Paris Arena; WHEREAS, in the preliminary round of 16 held on 03 August 2024, Petecio 14 outperformed Amina Zidani of France, 2023 European Games featherweight 15 champion, and emerged victorious with four out of the five judges ruling in her favor 16 17 to advance to the quarterfinals; WHEREAS, Petecio continued her winning streak and prevailed against Zichun 18 19 Xu from People's Republic of China in a matchup held on 04 August 2024. Her entry

into the semifinals assured for the country another Olympic medal;

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1	WHEREAS, Petecio concluded her Olympic comeback in the semifinal round
2	held in Roland Garros Stadium on 08 August 2024 after an unsuccessful bid against
3	Julia Szeremeta of Poland, a gold medallist at the 2023 European U22
4	Championships;
5	WHEREAS, for winning bronze at the 2024 Paris Olympics and silver in Tokyo,
6	Japan in 2021, Petecio now belongs to an elite roster of Filipino athletes with two
7	Olympic medals which includes Carlos Edriel Yulo (2024), Hidilyn Diaz (2016 and
8	2020) and Teofilo Yldefonso (1928 and 1932);
9	WHEREAS, Petecio is the first Filipina boxer to ever win an Olympic medal in
10	the male-dominated sport, coming from the Olympic successes of Jose Villanueva
11	(1932), Anthony Villanueva (1964), Leopoldo Serantes (1988), Roel Velasco (1992),
12	and Mansueto Velasco, Jr. (1996);
13	WHEREAS, Petecio is a world-class athlete who consistently brought pride to
14	the country with her strong performances in the ring. She is the 2019 AIBA Women's
15	Boxing World Championship titleholder, three-time Asian championship medalist
16	(silver – bantamweight 2015, bronze – bantamweight 2012, and bronze –
17	featherweight 2022), and two-time Southeast Asian Games champion (2019 and
18	2023);
19	WHEREAS, Petecio embodied relentless pursuit of excellence with her mantra
20	"Walang hinto hangga't walang ginto," and many years of hard work and intense
21	training since taking up the sport competitively in 2007;
22	NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate,
23	to confer the Philippine Senate Medal of Excellence to Nesthy Petecio for her
24	outstanding achievement of winning the country's bronze medal in the 2024 Paris

Adopted,

serving as an inspiration to the Filipino people.

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Olympics, thus bringing honor and prestige to the Republic of the Philippines and