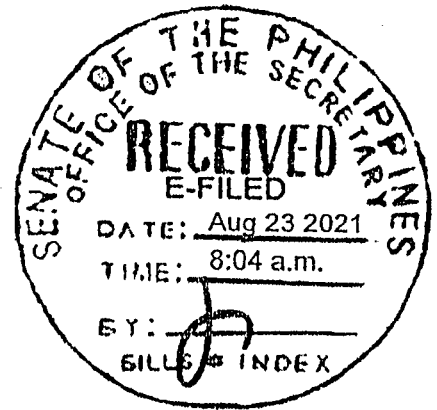


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Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

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**RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING CARLO PAALAM FOR HONORING THE COUNTRY WITH AN OLYMPIC SILVER MEDAL AT THE MEN'S BOXING FLYWEIGHT EVENT OF THE 2020 SUMMER OLYMPICS AT THE KOKUGIKAN ARENA IN TOKYO, JAPAN ON 7 AUGUST 2021**

**WHEREAS**, Filipino athlete Carlo Paalam brought pride and glory to the Philippines by winning an Olympic silver medal in the men's boxing flyweight event of the 2020 Summer Olympics held at the Kokugikan Arena in Tokyo, Japan on 7 August 2021;

**WHEREAS**, currently ranked 12th in the men's flyweight division by the Amateur International Boxing Association (AIBA), Carlo Paalam has previously bagged gold medals in the 30th Southeast Asian Games in 2019, the 1st Thailand International Boxing Tournament in 2018, the 10th AIBA International Boxing Tournament in 2018, and the President's Cup in 2017;

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Paalam was born on 16 July 1998 to a farming couple in Talakag, Bukidnon;

**WHEREAS**, when he was six years old, Carlo Paalam and his family relocated to Cagayan de Oro, Misamis Oriental, where he spent his days scavenging bottles and plastics to trade for some change to help support his family;

**WHEREAS**, the 23-year-old boxer got his first taste of the sport when his neighbor encouraged him to spar with his son for a bottle of Coke, and later caught the eye of local sports officials after competing in a local boxing event in 2009;

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Paalam joined the national team in 2013 and made his mark in the world of boxing by competing in numerous international tournaments, taking home bronze medals from the AIBA Youth Asian and World Championships in 2016 and Asian Games in 2018;

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Paalam qualified for the 2020 Summer Olympics by virtue of his high ranking in the flyweight category as confirmed by the International Olympic Committee Boxing Task Force on 19 March 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the remarkable unanimous decision win of Carlo Paalam over Ryomei Tanaka of Japan in the men's flyweight semi-finals on 5 August 2021 assured the Philippines of a silver medal as well as a shot at the elusive gold medal from the prestigious international sports event;

**WHEREAS**, after this stunning performance by Carlo Paalam, the pride of Northern Mindanao and the region's first Olympic medalist, the Philippines will now be bringing home its fourth Olympic medal, a feat that has never been seen since the country joined the games in 1924;

**WHEREAS**, Carlo Paalam's triumph in the Tokyo Olympics has brought pride, glory, and inspiration to the Filipino people and has once again proven to the world the persistent and indomitable spirit of the Filipino, for which he deserves to be honored and commended;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend Carlo Paalam for honoring the country with an Olympic silver medal at the Men's Boxing Flyweight event of the 2020 Summer Olympics held at the Kokugikan Arena in Tokyo, Japan on 7 August 2021.

**Adopted,**

  
**JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI**