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**Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE SARAH JANE I. ELAGO**

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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING WORLD CHAMPION FILIPINO BOXER**  
**NESTHY PETECIO FOR HER OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN WINNING THE**  
**GOLD MEDAL IN THE FEATHERWEIGHT DIVISION OF THE**  
**2019 AIBA WOMEN'S WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**WHEREAS**, Filipina boxer Nesthy Petecio bagged the gold medal in the featherweight division of the 2019 Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur (AIBA) Women's World Boxing Championships held in the FSK Sports Complex in Ulan-ude, Russia from October 3-13;

**WHEREAS**, the 27-year old Petecio is the second Filipina to ever hold the title in the Women's World Boxing Championships, ending the seven-year drought since Josie Gabuco's conquest of the light flyweight division;

**WHEREAS**, Petecio's landmark victory is a testament to what Filipinos could achieve in sports. With high hopes, this should likewise serve as a wake-up call to the urgent need of substantially increasing public funding in sports, and in support of the overall training and well-being of athletes, especially women who often face more disadvantages;

**WHEREAS**, she started boxing at the age of 7 in her hometown in Tuban, Davao del Sur. She barreled through joining women's national boxing team at the age of 15. According to the fast facts compiled by Rappler on Petecio's feats<sup>1</sup>: The Davao native landed on the podium for the first time in the 2011 SEA Games in Jakarta where she bagged a silver in the bantamweight division. The following year, she also won her first bronze medal in the Asian Amateur Boxing Championships in Ulan Bataar, Mongolia. In 2013, Petecio moved up to the featherweight division where she managed to cop a silver in the SEA Games in Myanmar;

**WHEREAS**, according to the same report, "her relative success in the featherweight division gave her a chance to join the 2014 Asian Games in Incheon. Although Petecio didn't medal then, she more than made up for it by capturing a silver in the 2014 World Championships in Jeju. In 2015, Petecio had to settle for another silver in the Singapore SEA Games, which prompted her return to the bantamweight division two months later in the 2015 Asian Championships in Wulanchabu, China;"

1. Go, Beatrice(2019). *FAST FACTS: Who is boxing world champion Nesthy Petecio?* Rappler.com. Date retrieved: October 14, 2019 from <https://www.rappler.com/sports/by-sport/boxing-mma/242470-things-to-know-about-world-champion-nesthy-petecio>

**WHEREAS**, Petecio's outstanding achievement is an inspiration, not only to Filipino athletes, but also to all youth, women, and the people in pouring in dedication and commitment into accomplishing breakthroughs, and waving the banner of hope and victory for the Philippines;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the House of Representatives congratulates and commends world champion boxer Nesthy Petecio for her outstanding achievement in winning the gold medal in the featherweight division of the 2019 AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the world champion boxer Nesthy Petecio be furnished a copy of this resolution.

*Adopted,*

**Rep. SARAH JANE I. ELAGO**  
*Kabataan Party-list*

