Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City, Metro Manila

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ______708



Introduced by Representative Eric M. Martinez

RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO TENNIS JUNIOR CHAMPION ALEXANDRA "ALEX" EALA FOR WINNING THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN JUNIORS' DOUBLES TITLE HELD IN MELBOURNE PARK, AUSTRALIA ON JANUARY 31, 2020

WHEREAS, the Philippines' Alexandra "Alex" Eala made history with her maiden Juniors Grand Slam Title with Indonesian tennis partner Priska Madelyn Nugroho after winning the 2020 Australian Open Junior Girls' Doubles Title on January 31, 2020;

WHEREAS, the fourteen-year-old tennis player's excellent performance in the first grand slam tournament earned her a total score of one thousand seven hundred eighteen and seventy-five (1,718.75), placing her World No. four (4) in the latest International Tennis Federation (ITF) World Juniors Tennis Ranking among girls;

WHEREAS, Eala, who made the third round of the girls' singles in Melbourne, became the first Filipina to win a grand slam event since 2009 when Francis Casey Alcantara and his partner ruled the Australian Open Boys' Doubles;

WHEREAS, with Eala's high ITF ranking, the world tennis junior star is now qualified to compete into the next top three high level Grand Slam tournaments of the Wimbledon, U.S. Open, and the French Open;

WHEREAS, Eala first made it to top thirteen (13) in the ITF rankings in October 2019, after her silver medal finish at the Osaka Mayor's Cup-World Super Junior Tennis Championships in Japan, and she led Team Philippines in winning the First Asia-Oceania Championship in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in the same year;

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WHEREAS, at a very young age, Eala's success serves as an inspiration to the 1 Filipino youth who aspire to make a difference in the field of sports, and like all other great Filipino athletes, she has placed the Philippines at the forefront of international 3 competitions in tennis, and thus deserves to be commended: Now, therefore, be it 4 Resolved by the House of Representatives, To congratulate and commend Filipino 5 Tennis Junior Champion Alexandra "Alex" Eala for winning the Australian Open 6 Juniors' Doubles Title Held In Melbourne Park, Australia On January 31, 2020. 7 8 Resolved, further, That Filipina World Juniors' Tennis champion Alexandra "Alex" 9 Eala be furnished with a copy of this Resolution. 10

Adopted,

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ERIC M. MARTINEZ