INTRODUCED BY LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO, PAUL R. DAZA and FAUSTINO MICHAEL CARLOS DY III

A RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING, CONGRATULATING, AND COMMENDING NEWLY-CROWNED WORLD CHAMPION FILIPINO BOXER NONITO “THE FILIPINO FLASH” DONAIRE FOR WINNING THE WORLD BOXING COUNCIL (WBC) BANTAMWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP BY DETHRONING NORDINE OUBAALI ON MAY 29, 2021, IN CARSON CITY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2021, at the Dignity Health Sports Park, Carson City, Los Angeles County, California, Filipino boxer Nonito “The Filipino Flash” Donaire once again demonstrated his legendary boxing prowess by spectacularly dethroning via fourth-round knockout defending champion Nordine Oubaali to win the World Boxing Council (WBC) Bantamweight Championship;

WHEREAS, at 38 years old, he became the oldest world champion ever in the bantamweight division, validating the native Filipino courage, grit, and durability and in the process upending the 3-to-1 odds against him by foreign boxing experts;

WHEREAS, his praiseworthy feat has uplifted the sunken spirit of all Filipinos not only inside the country but also in different parts of the world due to the ongoing pandemic that has brought about untold suffering to countless Filipino families;

WHEREAS, as shown by the televised fight, even after his victory he exuded good sportsmanship, humility, and compassion: noble traits worthy of emulation by the Filipino youth;

WHEREAS, also as shown by the televised fight, he manifested his lofty solidarity not only with the Filipinos in the United States but also with all the Asians in that country by wearing a shirt emblazoned by “Stop Asian Hate;”

WHEREAS, seldom has an accomplished Filipino athlete like Nonito Donaire ever combined in his persona the above-described moral, spiritual, and physical attributes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives recognize, congratulate, and commend Nonito “The Filipino Flash” Donaire for winning the World Boxing Council (WBC) Bantamweight Championship by
dethroning Nordine Oubaali on May 29, 2021, in Carson City, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the WBC Bantamweight Champion Nonito “The Filipino Flash” Donaire be furnished a copy of this Resolution.

Adopted,

LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO

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