Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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House Resolution No. <u>187</u>



Introduced by Representatives ERIC G. YAP, PAOLO Z. DUTERTE, EDVIC G. YAP, JOCELYN P. TULFO, RALPH TULFO, and JEFFREY SORIANO

A RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND HONORING DAVE APOLINARIO FOR WINNING THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING ORGANIZATION (IBO) FLYWEIGHT TITLE

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives, as the People's House, gives due recognition to our Filipino athletes for bringing pride and glory to the Philippines through their exceptional talent, immense hard work, and love for the country;

WHEREAS, the International Boxing Organization (IBO) serves as a major independent sanctioning and awarding body of professional boxing matches around the world;

WHEREAS, on July 31, 2022, Dave Apolinario, through his extraordinary talent, steady resolve and unswerving commitment to bring honor and pride to the country, clinched the International Boxing Organization (IBO) flyweight title through a crushing first-round knockout of South African champion Gideon Buthelezi;

WHEREAS, it is notable that Dave Apolinario, 23 years of age, and a native of Maasim, Sarangani Province is the first Filipino to hold the IBO world flyweight title since 2007 — ranking amongst IBO world champions Floyd Mayweather Jr., Lennox Lewis, Wladimir Klitschko, Roy Jones Jr., Marco Antonio Barrera, James Toney, and Nonito Donaire, Jr;

WHEREAS, Dave Apolinario, through his display of grit, power, and determination serves as an inspiration not only to Filipino athletes but her fellow countrymen;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Philippines, to recognize, commend and extend its warmest congratulations to Dave Apolinario for clinching the International Boxing Organization (IBO) Flyweight Title.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be furnished to Dave Apolinario.

Adopted,

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