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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JUNE 6, 2014

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Felix "Tito" Trinidad for his achievements and
- contributions to the sport of boxing and congratulating him
- on his induction into the International Boxing Hall of Fame.
- WHEREAS, Felix "Tito" Trinidad was born January 10, 1973, in
- 5 Fajardo, Puerto Rico; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Tito, a retired professional boxer, is considered
- 7 one of the best Puerto Rican boxers of all time; and
- 8 WHEREAS, After winning five national amateur championships in
- 9 Puerto Rico, Tito debuted as a professional boxer on March 10,
- 10 1990, when he was 17 years of age; and
- 11 WHEREAS, On June 19, 1993, Tito won his first world
- 12 championship after defeating Maurice Blocker for the
- 13 International Boxing Federation's welterweight belt; and
- 14 WHEREAS, During his career he continued to establish himself
- 15 as an all-time great by scoring victories over Hector Camacho,
- 16 Yory Boy Campas, Oba Carr, Rodney Moore, Freddie Pendleton,
- 17 Pernell Whitaker and Oscar De La Hoya; and

- 1 WHEREAS, On March 3, 2000, Tito moved up in weight to win the
- 2 World Boxing Association's super welterweight title from David
- 3 Reid; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Later that year, Tito unified titles with a 12th
- 5 round technical knockout over International Boxing Federation
- 6 Champion Fernando Vargas; and
- 7 WHEREAS, In 2001, Tito became a three-division champion with
- 8 a fifth round technical knockout over William Joppy for the
- 9 World Boxing Association's middleweight title; and
- 10 WHEREAS, With 15 successful defenses, 12 by knockout, Tito
- 11 holds the record for second-most welterweight title defenses;
- 12 and
- 13 WHEREAS, Tito holds the record for the longest reign as
- 14 Welterweight Champion; six years, eight months and fourteen
- 15 days; and
- 16 WHEREAS, As one of boxing's brightest superstars in the 1990s
- 17 and 2000s, Tito is still revered in Puerto Rico and around the
- 18 world; and
- 19 WHEREAS, In 2013, Tito became eligible and was voted into the
- 20 2014 Class of the International Boxing Hall of Fame; and
- 21 WHEREAS, On Wednesday, June 4, 2014, Tito will be inducted
- 22 into the International Boxing Hall of Fame, becoming the tenth
- 23 Puerto Rican to receive such an honor; therefore be it
- 24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor and
- 25 congratulate Felix "Tito" Trinidad for his many accomplishments
- 26 and congratulate him on his induction into the International
- 27 Boxing Hall of Fame.