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Senate Resolution No. 1706

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Ana Maria Torres Ramirez upon the occasion of her induction into the International Boxing Hall of Fame and Museum

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding professionals in the boxing industry who distinguished themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; Ana Maria Torres Ramirez is one such individual and her life of achievements inspired others and contributed to the respect and admiration of the sport of boxing; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ana Maria Torres Ramirez upon the occasion of her induction into the International Boxing Hall of Fame and Museum; she will be honored within the Modern category of boxers at the 35th Anniversary celebration from June 6-9, 2024, in Canastota, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born Ana Maria Torres Ramirez on January 25, 1980, in Ciudad Nezahualcoyt, Mexico, "La Guerrera" began training with Jose Morales and turned professional in 1999 with a four-round win over future world champion Mariana Juarez in the first of their three bouts (2-0-1); and

WHEREAS, Ana Maria Torres Ramirez captured the Mexican bantamweight (twice) and NABF super flyweight titles before unsuccessfully challenging Kwang Ok Kim for the WBC bantamweight strap (L 10) in 2006; she rebounded to TKO Mayela Perez in six rounds for the interim WBC super flyweight title and gained full recognition with a 10-round win over Dahianna Santana in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Ana Maria Torres Ramirez lost the title to Myung Ok Ryu (L 10) and, following a draw in the rematch, won the interim belt from Esmeralda Moreno (W 10) in 2008; she assumed full championship status with a fourth round TKO over Paulina Cardona to begin her second championship reign that would include 10 successful title defenses and wins over such standouts as Ava Knight (W 10), Alesia Graf (W 10) and Hollie Dunaway (TKO 6); and

WHEREAS, In 2011, Ana Maria Torres Ramirez met Jackie Nava twice, drawing in the first encounter and scoring a 10-round win in the rematch for the WBC diamond bantamweight belt; and

WHEREAS, Renowned for her textbook boxing style, the 5' 4" Ana Maria Torres Ramirez retired in 2012, with a professional record of 28-3-3 (16 KOs); in addition to boxing in her home country, she also competed in bouts in the Dominican Republic, North Korea, and the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ana Maria Torres Ramirez clearly contributed to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of the International Boxing Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such outstanding accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Ana Maria Torres Ramirez upon the occasion of her induction into the International Boxing Hall of Fame and Museum; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ana Maria Torres Ramirez.