

RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF WESLACO PROFESSIONAL BOXERS OMAR & BRANDON FIGUEROA

WHEREAS, two brothers from the City of Weslaco are forging a boxing dynasty as champions both in and out of the ring; and

WHEREAS, in a matchup of world champions, Omar “Panterita” Figueroa, Jr., triumphantly returned to boxing on Saturday, July 15, 2017 in a nationally televised welterweight main event with a third-round knockout of Robert “The Ghost” Guerrero; and

WHEREAS, fighting for the first time in 19 months, the undefeated champion’s aggressive style and powerful punches have made Omar Figueroa, Jr. one of boxing’s most exciting fighters. Omar scored five knockdowns on his way to earning the TKO, which was televised on FOX Sports; and

WHEREAS, following Omar’s win, Brandon “Heartbreaker” Figueroa kicked off the supplementary card on FOX Sports 1 with an 8-round unanimous decision against Fatiou Fassinou; and

WHEREAS, the brothers grew up in Weslaco, Texas and graduated from Weslaco East High School. Both began their boxing careers after graduating, both are undefeated, and both trained together before the July 15 matchups at the Nassau Coliseum in Uniondale, New York; and

WHEREAS, both fighters honored the seven sailors who perished on the USS Fitzgerald, and especially Noe Hernandez, continuing Omar’s pre-fight tradition of honoring a person or cause, saying it was a privilege to pay tribute to the sailors and all military men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country; and

WHEREAS, the professional boxers will be honored by the City of Weslaco at a special City Commission meeting tonight.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby recognizes and honors Omar Figueroa, Jr. and Brandon Figueroa, for their dedication, commitment and extraordinary success in the sport of professional boxing and for bringing pride to their hometown of Weslaco, Hidalgo County, and the State of Texas.

Approved this 25th day of July 2017.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

DAVID L. FUENTES
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

EDUARDO “EDDIE” CANTU
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk