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PRESS RELEASE

Senator Isabel Bennett Moody attends the X Forum of the Parliamentary
Front against Hunger in Latin America and the Caribbean and the II Global
Parliamentary Summit against Hunger and Malnutrition in Chile

—16th June 2023—Senator, the Honourable Isabel Bennett Moody, attended the X Forum of the Parliamentary Front against Hunger in Latin America and the Caribbean (PFH-LAC) in Santiago, Chile, held on the 14th June, and also attended the II Global Parliamentary Summit against Hunger and Malnutrition in Valparaiso, Chile on the 15th and 16th June.

The X Forum of the Parliamentary Front against Hunger in Latin America, a joint initiative of the FPH-LAC, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID), and the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID), gathered parliamentarians from Ibero-America and the Caribbean with an aim to strengthen the work of the PFH-LAC and promote, in parallel, a political commitment of the highest level between the parliaments of the region. During the forum, various presentations were made, including the Panorama of food and nutrition security in 2022: The current figures of hunger and how to reverse them; The role of parliaments to achieve the Zero Hunger Goal in the current world scenario; Strengthening parliamentary work on food and nutrition security with a gender approach, among others. The forum also served as an opportunity to launch the Ibero-American Parliamentary Alliance for Food Security for All.

The II Global Parliamentary Summit against Hunger and Malnutrition, was organized by AECID and the FAO, and was aimed at providing a space for parliamentarians from different regions in the world to discuss the challenges agrifood systems are facing, share parliamentary initiatives that have been put in place to mitigate food insecurity, and to bring attention to the role parliamentarians can play and the contribution they can make to the fight against hunger and malnutrition, particularly in times of crisis. During the two-day summit, the framework on the perspectives of food security and nutrition and the transformation towards more efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agri-food systems - Progress on SDG2 "Zero Hunger" was presented. Sessions were also held to discuss topics such as: Ensuring availability and access to healthy food for everyone; The gender gap in food security and nutrition; Strengthen coordination and the cooperation and collaboration necessary to guarantee the right to adequate food. The summit ended today with the presentation of the consolidated inputs for the Global Parliamentary Pact proposal.

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