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Please join the City of Caldwell in congratulating Olympic boxer Alyssa Mendoza on her historic Olympic journey with a homecoming parade and reception at Indian Creek Steakhouse on August 16 at noon (711 Main St.).

The parade will begin at Fire Station 1, turn on S. 5th Avenue in front of the Caldwell Police Station, turn on Main Street, and end at Indian Creek Steakhouse. A reception will be held for Alyssa at the steakhouse, to include a meet and greet and a special presentation from Mayor Wagoner.

“We are so excited to welcome Alyssa home. She is an absolute hometown hero, and we want to show her how proud we are of her and all her accomplishments, and we cannot wait to see what she will achieve in the future,” said Caldwell Mayor Jarom Wagoner.

Alyssa grew up in Caldwell and graduated from Middleton High. In December 2019, Mendoza competed at the U.S. Youth National Championship and won the title in her weight class, earning her a spot on the Youth National Team. She became the first female from Idaho to accomplish that feat. Alyssa participated in the first 2024 Olympic Qualification Tournament and was narrowly defeated in the match that would have qualified her for the 2024 Summer Olympics. She then competed at the second Olympic Qualification Tournament and won the finals by unanimous decision, making her the eighth and last person to qualify on the U.S. boxing team. By qualifying, she became the first female Olympic boxer in Idaho history. She won in her Olympic debut by split decision (3–2).