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I am here today to support one of the most courageous women I know - Christy Martin.

In addition to being The Women's Super Welterweight Boxing Champion of the World (WBC), Christy at this time is the alleged victim in a criminal case now pending in Orlando, Florida. (I represent her in that matter.)

The prosecutor alleges that on November 23, 2010, Christy's husband attempted to murder her by stabbing Christy in the chest, puncturing her lung, stabbing her in the leg so deeply that she was cut almost to the bone, pistol-whipping her, bashing her head into the night stand and shooting her.

Her husband, now in jail, is charged with attempted murder with a firearm, attempted murder with a deadly weapon and aggravated battery. His trial is scheduled for October 2011.

Despite what Christy has had to endure, she has refused to let what she has suffered break her or her fighting spirit.

Recently, the bullet was removed from her back and Christy pledged to resume her boxing career, which she loves.

She has been cleared by her doctor to train and has been training hard for her June 4, 2011 fight at the Staples Center in Los Angeles. In her boxing career, Christy has a record of 49 wins, 5 losses, 3 draws and 31 knockouts. She wants to fight and win her 50th fight on Saturday, June 4th.

We would all understand if under the circumstances, Christy wanted to retire or at least take time off for a while, but that is not Christy.

Christy is a true fighter. She has a degree from both a traditional college and the college of hard knocks.

She is not a complainer and she is not a quitter. Instead, she is a champion and a winner. She is an inspiration to every woman who has been down, but refuses to be counted out.

Christy is back. She is strong, tough and committed to winning. She is a true coal miner's daughter and she is giving it her all. She is resilient, re-energized and ready for victory.

Watch out world, on June 4th, 2011, you will see a woman strong and empowered, blonde, beautiful and brave, strengthened by adversity, cheered on by her fans and respected even by her foes.

Make way for Christy Martin, a winner and true champion, not only in the boxing ring, but in our hearts.

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