



**United Through Sports
International Powerlifting Federation
Virtual Youth Sports Festival**

Thursday, December 3, 2020 – Strassen, Luxembourg

Ladies and gentlemen,

I am both honored and pleased to announce the three (3) IPF athletes selected for the UTS MAX FIT Gala Award Night that will take place on December 19, 2020 in Bangkok, Thailand – Ms. Piper Gardner (USA Powerlifting), female, under 12 category; Rudisill Houston (USA Powerlifting), male, under 13 category, and Sherezada Romero (Federacion Deportiva Nacional de Levantamiento de Potencia), female, under 18 Category.



Piper Gardner (USA)



Rudisill Houston (USA)



Sherezada Romero (Peru)

The youth athletes were selected to represent both their National Member Federation and the International Powerlifting Federation, versus youth athletes from sixty (60) other Olympic/Non-Olympic recognized international sports federations at the UTS Max Fit Finals.

My sincere congratulations and continued success at the Gala Award Night.

Gaston Parage
President, International Powerlifting Federation

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Background:

The International Powerlifting Federation athletes have been invited to participate in the United Through Sports (UTS) Virtual Youth Sports Festival. The 2020 UTS Virtual Youth Sports Festival falls under the patronage of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), the Special Olympics International (SOI), Global Association of International Sports Federation (GAISF), SportAccord and the Alliance of Independent recognized Members of Sport (AIMS). Overall, the UTS Virtual Youth Sports Festival invites all of us to stand in solidarity under the Olympic, Paralympic and Special Olympics values towards the promotion of inclusion, equality, non-discrimination, and peace-promotion.

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