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RESOLUTION NO. 152

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO KICKBOXERS JESSIE PAUL RAFOLS, DENNIS SALAZAR AND ARNEL ARANCINA FOR WINNING IN THE 2008 ASIAN COMBAT SAMBO CHAMPIONSHIP HELD AT THE JAR SPORTS COMPLEX, TASHKENT, UZBEKISTAN ON OCTOBER 5-9, 2008

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes for their astonishing feat of bringing home pride and glory to the country by becoming champions in international sports competitions; WHEREAS, Filipino kickboxer Jessie Paul Rafols made the country proud when he won the silver medal in the under-62 kilograms category in the recently concluded 2008 Asian Combat Sambo Championship held at JAR Sports Complex, Tashkent, Uzbekistan on October 5-9, 2008;

WHEREAS, Filipino kickboxers Arnel Arancina and Dennis Salazar each won bronze medals in the under-68 kilograms and under-57 kilograms category, respectively, in the same 2008 Asian Combat Sambo Championship;

WHEREAS, the 2008 Asian Combat Sambo Championship was organized and sanctioned by the Asian SAMBO Federation and SAMBO Federation of Uzbekistan;

WHEREAS, Sambo, also called "Sombo" or "Cambo" is a modern martial art, combat sport and self-defense system developed in the Soviet Union and recognized as an official sport by the USSR All-Union Sports Committee since 1938;

WHEREAS, Combat Sambo, which in Russian means "selfdefense without weapons", was utilized and developed for military tactics and includes practice with weapons, including disarming techniques, and in competition, it resembles older forms of judo and modern mixed martial arts, including extensive forms of striking and grappling;

WHEREAS, the exemplary performance displayed by the three (3) Filipino kickboxers in the 2008 Asian Combat Sambo Championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan has made our country proud, earned our country more champions in the international combat kickboxing category and has inspired many young Filipinos to engage in this sporting category: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, To congratulate and commend Jessie Paul Rafols, Dennis Salazar and Arnel Arancina for winning in the 2008 Asian Combat Sambo championship held at the JAR Sports Complex, Tashkent, Uzbekistan on October 5-9, 2008.

Adopted,

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This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on November 18, 2008.

EMMA LIRIQ-REYES Secretary of the Senated

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