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**INTRODUCED BY HON. MANNY VILLAR**

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**RESOLUTION**

**COMMENDING NONITO "THE FILIPINO FLASH" DONAIRE AND BRIAN  
"THE HAWAIIAN PUNCH" VILORIA FOR VICTORIES AGAINST SEPARATE  
OPPONENTS ON 19 APRIL 2009 IN ARANETA COLISEUM TO EMERGE  
WORLD CHAMPIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DIVISIONS**

**WHEREAS**, on 19 April Filipino-American flyweight Nonito "The Filipino Flash" Donaire and junior flyweight Brian "The Hawaiian Punch" Viloría once again made the Philippines proud when they defeated their respective opponents at the Araneta Coliseum to give the Philippines a new source of pride in boxing;

**WHEREAS**, Donaire, who was featured in the main event, retained his International Boxing Federation (IBF) and International Boxing Organization world flyweight titles with a fourth-round technical knockout of erstwhile unbeaten Mexican Raul "Cobra" Martínez, who came to the fight with 24-0 record with 14 knockouts;

**WHEREAS**, inspired by the presence of a hometown crowd, Donaire knocked down Martínez in the fourth round with a left uppercut, which forced the referee to stop the fight with only 12 seconds left in the round;

**WHEREAS**, in the supporting bout to the main event, Viloría knocked out champion Ulises Solís of Mexico with a single punch in the 11th round to capture the IBF junior flyweight title;

**WHEREAS**, Nonito Donaire and Brian Viloría Manny Pacquiao have shown and proven to the whole world that Filipinos have what it takes to excel in whatever field of endeavor. They bring great pride and inspire all Filipinos to excel in their undertakings to achieve success and world recognition;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES**, to commend Nonito "The Filipino Flash" Donaire and Brian "The Hawaiian Punch" Viloría for victories against separate opponents on 19 April 2009 in Araneta Coliseum to emerge world champions in their respective divisions and for contributing to the pride and honor of the global Filipino.

Adopted.

  
**MANNY VILLAR**  
Senator