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Introduced by **Senator Richard J. Gordon**

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**RESOLUTION**

**COMMENDING NONITO DONAIRE, JR. AND BRIAN VILORIA FOR THEIR VICTORY IN THE RECENTLY HELD BOXING COMPETITION ON 19 APRIL 2009 AT THE ARANETA COLISEUM, BRINGING PRIDE TO EVERY FILIPINO AND PROVIDING AN INSPIRATION TO OUR NATION**

WHEREAS, 19 April 2009 marked, yet again, a day when Filipinos proved once more that they are born hardworking fighters and achievers;

WHEREAS, Nonito "The Filipino Flash" Donaire, Jr. defeated American Raul Martinez and succeeded in defending his International Boxing Federation (IBF)/International Boxing Organization (IBO) flyweight crown by way of technical knockout, when the undefeated Martinez succumbed to Donaire's blows after only 4 rounds;

WHEREAS, Brian "The Hawaiian Punch" Viloria, for his part, regained the IBF light flyweight championship belt, valiantly fighting Ulises Solis of Mexico up to the latter's fall in the 11<sup>th</sup> round, through a technical knockout;

WHEREAS, through their triumph, they have broken down the walls of insecurity and indifference, and have become exemplars of discipline, hard work and dedication, showing our people the work ethic to achieve goals by working hard and exerting utmost efforts, and not merely through instant gratification;

WHEREAS, the victory of Donaire and Viloria further unified our people in taking pride in their achievements, in becoming models for emulation, and in opening new frontiers for our people, showing them that we can conquer our opponents, and more importantly, our own fears and unwarranted inhibitions. Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Senate of the Philippines, to commend Nonito Donaire, Jr. and Brian Viloria for their victory in the recently held boxing competition on 19 April 2009 at the Araneta Coliseum, bringing pride to every Filipino and providing an inspiration to our nation.

Adopted,

  
**RICHARD J. GORDON**