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A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING MANNY PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING ORGANIZATION LIGHT WELTERWEIGHT CROWN AND BRINGING GLORY TO THE FILIPINO NATION

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2009, in the Battle of East and West, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao won a resounding second round knock out victory in the Light Welterweight bout against the reigning International Boxing Organization champion, Ricky "The Hitman" Hatton at the MGM Grand Garden Arena Las Vegas, Nevada, USA;

WHEREAS, his recent win retains him as the No. 1 pound-for-pound boxer of the world and he achieves the titles of IBO Light Welterweight Champion, WBC Lightweight Champion, WBC Super Featherweight Champion, World Champion at the International Boxing Federation (IBF) Super Bantamweight, and WBC Flyweight division;

WHEREAS, his victory clinched him his fifth world title joining the elite company of Oscar de la Hoya, Sugar Ray Leonard, Thomas Hearns and Floyd Mayweather, Jr., all renowned professional boxers of the world;

WHEREAS, Manny Pacquiao's work ethic is an inspiration not only to his fellow boxers but to the Filipino people in general;

WHEREAS, his professionalism and dedication to his craft as well as his mildmannered attitude are worthy of emulation especially to the Filipino youth;

WHEREAS, Manny Pacquiao's dedication to boxing as his contribution to unite the Filipino people exemplifies Filipino excellence and his historic achievement truly deserves national praise and recognition.

RESOLVED by the Senate, as it is hereby resolved, to honor and commend Manny Pacquiao for winning the International Boxing Organization Light Welterweight crown and bringing glory to the Filipino nation.

Adopted,

ÉJERCITO ESTRADA Senator