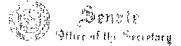
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## SENATE P.S. Res. No. <u>635</u>

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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE POUND-FOR-POUND KING DAPIDRAN SARANGANI REPRESENTATIVE EMMANUEL PACQUIAO OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PEOPLE'S CHAMP MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDING HIS WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION WELTERWEIGHT WORLD TITLE, VIA MAJORITY DECISION, FROM MEXICAN BOXER JUAN MANUEL MARQUEZ AT THE MGM GRAND GARDEN ARENA IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON 12 NOVEMBER 2011

**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 sporting competitions;

WHEREAS, Octuple champion and People's Champ Sarangani Representative Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao once again made the country proud when he emerged victorious in his match against Mexican boxer Juan Manuel Marquez, defending his WBO welterweight title at the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A. on 12 November 2011;

*WHEREAS,* the 32-year old pound-for-pound king Pacquiao retained his WBO welterweight title through a majority decision of 115-113, 116-112 and 114-114, upping his boxing record of 54-3-2 (54 wins, 3 losses and 2 draws) with 38 knockouts;

WHEREAS, Representative Manny Pacquiao is the first boxer to win the lineal championship in four different weight classes, and the first and only boxer in history to be hailed an octuple champion with his world titles in eight unprecedentedly different weight divisions, to wit: junior welterweight, lightweight, super featherweight, featherweight, super bantamweight, flyweight, welterweight and super welterweight divisions;

WHEREAS, aside from being regarded as "the best pound for pound boxer in the world" by the majority of sporting news and boxing websites, the People's Champ was also named "Fighter of the Decade" for the 2000s by the Boxing Writers Association of America, and "Fighter of the Year" three times, awarded in 2006, 2008 and 2009, by The Ring and the Boxing Writers Association of America;

*WHEREAS,* by winning this fight, Sarangani Representative Manny Pacquiao has shown to the world the unrelenting spirit of Filipino competitiveness and excellence;

*WHEREAS,* this outstanding performance by our Filipino boxer deserves to be commended for the honor and recognition he has brought to our country.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,* as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend the pound-for-pound king Sarangani Representative Emmanuel Dapidran Pacquiao otherwise known as the People's Champ Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao for successfully defending his World Boxing Organization Welterweight World title, via majority decision, from Mexican boxer Juan Manuel Marquez at the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada, The United States of America on 12 November 2011

Adopted,

EL "LITO" M. LAPID MAN Senator