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## Introduced by Senator Richard J. Gordon

## RESOLUTION

COMMENDING MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING FEAT IN THE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL BOXING BY WINNING AGAINST MIGUEL ANGEL COTTO IN THE WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION WELTERWEIGHT TITLE BOUT AND BECOMING THE FIRST IN WORLD BOXING HISTORY TO WIN WORLD TITLES IN SEVEN DIFFERENT WEIGHT DIVISIONS THEREBY PROVING ONCE MORE TO THE WORLD THE INSURMOUNTABLE SPIRIT OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has on several occasions recognized and paid tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes for their astonishing feat of bringing pride and glory to the country by becoming champions in international sporting competitions;

WHEREAS, on 14 November 2009, Manny "The Pac-Man" Pacquiao once again made the country proud and proved his mettle as the "Pambansang Kamao" and as the "#1 Pound-for-Pound Boxer in the World" by defeating World Boxing Organization Champion Miguel Angel Cotto and winning the World Boxing Organization Welterweight Title at the MGM Grand Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada;

WHEREAS, in winning the World Boxing Organization Welterweight Title, Manny Pacquiao secured himself as a "hall of famer" in the annals of world boxing history by being the first boxer to win world titles in seven different weight divisions;

WHEREAS, in attaining this distinction, Manny Pacquiao has once again lifted the hopes and dreams of every Filipino and shown the way to rise up from adversity and be leaders of our chosen crafts through hard work, discipline, drive, pride and heroic courage and not pedigree, money or beauty;

WHEREAS, these very qualities Manny Pacquiao exemplifies while training, fighting and winning his world title matches, are the same values that the Filipino people must embrace to prepare to meet any challenge as a nation;

WHEREAS, Manny Pacquiao deserves to be commended for the extraordinary honor and recognition he has brought not only to himself but to our country; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, to congratulate and commend Manny "The Pac-Man" Pacquiao for winning the World Boxing Organization Welterweight Title last 14 November 2009 at the MGM Grand Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada and for becoming the first boxer in world history to win world titles in seven different weight divisions, thereby proving once more to the world the insurmountable spirit of the Filipino people.

Adopted,

RICHARD J. GORDON