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RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING SARANGANI REP. MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION'S INTERNATIONAL WELTERWEIGHT TITLE AGAINST BRANDON "BAM BAM" RIOS, STAGING HIS COMEBACK AND INSPIRING FILIPINOS WITH HIS RARE AND DOMINANT PERFORMANCE

Whereas, **MANNY PACQUIAO** flashed his impressive boxing skills and convincingly defeated American boxer Brandon Rios in a 12-round fight at the Venetian hotel in Macau on November 24 as he snapped a two-fight losing streak;

Whereas, **MANNY PACQUIAO**—the first and only boxer to have won world titles in eight different weight divisions—impressed judges via a unanimous decision—119-109 (Lisa Giampa), 120-108 (Michael Pernick) and 118-110 (Manfred Kuechler) in favor of the Filipino fighter;

Whereas, according to HBO punch statistics, **MANNY PACQUIAO** dominated all rounds and overwhelmed Rios with 241 hits to the head and 40 punches to the body for a total of 281 hits, a pale comparison of Rios' 37 head punches and 42 to the body for a total of 132 hits;

Whereas, **MANNY PACQUIAO** improved his record to 55-5-2 while Rios fell to 31-2-1 in the "Clash in Cotai" dubbed the biggest fight ever in Asia and the Filipino champion's first fight outside the United States since his victory over Oscar Larios in the Philippines in 2006;

Whereas, **MANNY PACQUIAO'S** brilliant performance over Rios which proved of his speed and experience not only boosted the morale of the entire nation but also entertained millions of boxing fans in the world in an exceptional display of his sheer strength in a feat dedicated to Filipinos still reeling from super Typhoon "Yolanda" (international codename: "Haiyan");

Whereas, **MANNY PACQUIAO** demonstrated that his "time isn't over" in the boxing world after two straight defeats against Timothy Bradley and Juan Manuel Marquez and a year off from boxing and establishing that he is the most decorated boxer in the world;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE, to congratulate **SARANGANI REP. MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO** for bringing honor to his countrymen by winning the World Boxing Association's international welterweight title and representing his people's comeback from a national disaster;

Adopted,


GRACE POE