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## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL FEAT IN THE SPORTS OF PROFESSIONAL BOXING AFTER BEATING DEFENDING CHAMPION JUAN MANUEL MARQUEZ OF MEXICO WHICH EARNED THE FILIPINO RING ICON THE WORLD BOXING COUNCIL (WBC) SUPER FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE

WHEREAS, Manny "PACMAN" Pacquiao displayed impressive boxing by beating the undisputed defending WBC Super Featherweight champion Juan Manuel Marquez during their recently concluded mega bout dubbed as the "Unfinished Business" last Saturday, March 15, 2008 held at the Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA;

WHEREAS, the boxing duel last Saturday between Pacquiao and Marquez is their second match-up wherein the first meeting that was held in 2004 for the World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation Featherweight title, ended up with a majority draw decision;

WHEREAS, with Pacquiao's recent victory, he became the first Asian boxer to capture three world titles in three different weight divisions being the previous WBC flyweight and IBF Super Bantamweight champion during the early part of his career putting his international match record to 46 wins, 3 losses, and 2 draws with 35 triumphant fights by way of a knock out;

WHEREAS, as the current WBC International Champion, PACMAN had five convincing title defense fight victories against world renowned fighters in the likes of Erik Morales, Oscar Larios, Jorge Solis and Marco Antonio Barrera;

WHEREAS, being only a mere challenger to the prestigious WBC super featherweight championship belt, Manny Pacquiao surprisingly turned out to become the heavy favorite and undoubtedly predicted to become the run-away winner by highly acclaimed international boxing analysts long before the scheduled fight;

WHEREAS, inspite of his fresh title, the Filipino boxer has committed to immediately work on to upgrade his boxing career by turning lightweight for his next fight to challenge the title belt holder currently owned by David Diaz of the United States;

WHEREAS, known to the boxing community as the "People's Champion", Pacquiao who continuously aims to bring pride and glory to the country he loves dearly, makes him a role model for the Filipino youth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao for his exceptional feat in the sports of professional boxing after beating defending champion Juan Manuel Marquez of Mexico which earned the Filipino ring icon the World Boxing Council (WBC) Super Featherweight title.

Adopted,

GREGORIO B. HONASAN II Senator