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INTRODUCED BY HON. MANNY VILLAR

RESOLUTION COMMENDING ALEX PAGULAYAN FOR BEING THE 2008 PARTYPOKER.NET WORLD POOL MASTERS CHAMPION

WHEREAS, world-class billiard players from around the globe came to Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada to compete for the PartyPoker.net World Pool Masters;

WHEREAS, Alejandro (Alex) Salvador Pagulayan captured the 2008 PartyPoker.net World Pool Masters on 12 May 2008;

WHEREAS, Pagulayan recovered from a 6-3 deficit by making 5 straight racks for a scintillating 8-6 win over Finland's Mika Immonen. The Fil-Canadian was down 6-3 when Immonen committed an illegal break. Pagulayan then controlled the game and never looked back;

WHEREAS, Pagulayan also known as "The Lion" and "The Killer Pixie", has made it through the final of the PartyPoker.net World Pool Masters for the second time in three years;

WHEREAS, Pagulayan, (born 1978) is a Filipino-Canadian. He was born in Cabagan, Isabela, Philippines and was raised in Toronto, Canada. In 2004, Pagulayan returned to the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Pagulayan's parents emigrated to Canada when he was thirteen (13) years old. His father managed a pool hall, so Pagulayan's exposure to the game came early;

WHEREAS, he is known for his relaxed demeanor during competition, and is a crowd favorite, well-liked because of his comedic interaction with the audience;

WHEREAS, the following are his achievements, among others;

2007 World Summit of Pool Champion
2006 Philippine National Championship
2005 Philippines Snooker Team Gold Medal, SEA Games
2005 US Open Nine-ball Championship
2005 Derby City Classic Ten-ball Ring Game Champion
2005 SML Entertainment Nine-ball Champion
2004 WPA World Nine-ball Championship
2003 Joss Tour Grand Final Winner
2003 Carolinas Open Nine-ball Division, Goldsboro, North Carolina
2003 IBC Western Canadian Open
2002 World Pool Trickshot Champion

WHEREAS, Pagulayan has done the nation proud and have shown the world the Filipinos' capacity to excel;

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES, to commend Alex Pagulayan for being the 2008 Partypoker.Net World Pool Masters Champion and for contributing to the pride and honor of the global Filipino.

Adopted.

MANNY VILLAR Senator