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**RESOLUTION COMMENDING CONGRESSMAN EMMANUEL "MANNY" PACQUIAO  
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING VICTORY AGAINST BRANDON RIOS AND FOR ONCE  
AGAIN SHOWING THE INDOMITABLE SPIRIT OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE**

WHEREAS, Typhoon Yolanda (international name Haiyan), one of the strongest typhoons to make landfall in recorded history,<sup>1</sup> hit the Philippines on 8 November 2013 and has affected the lives of around 10.3 million people in 44 provinces;<sup>2</sup>

WHEREAS, on 24 November 2013, at the Cotai Arena in The Venetian, Macau, Congressman Manny Pacquiao, known as the *Pambansang Kamao*, came back from two (2) prior consecutive loses, to dominate Brandon Rios over 12 rounds to eventually win via unanimous decision;

WHEREAS, by winning against Rios, Congressman Pacquiao once again showcased the indomitable spirit of the Filipino to rise up from any adversity;

WHEREAS, Congressman Pacquiao dedicated the fight to all those who were affected by Typhoon Yolanda;<sup>3</sup>

WHEREAS, Congressman Pacquiao's victory brought much-needed relief and joy to those affected by Typhoon Yolanda and, more importantly, served as a rallying-point and an inspiration that they can also win their own fight against the devastation and hopelessness brought by this calamity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, by the Senate of the Philippines, to commend Congressman Manny Pacquiao for his outstanding victory against Brandon Rios and for once again serving as an inspiration for Filipinos.

Adopted.

  
SENATOR SONNY ANGARA

<sup>1</sup> <http://edition.cnn.com/2013/11/07/world/asia/philippines-typhoon-haiyan/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.gmanetwork.com/news/story/335924/news/regions/ndrrmc-10-3-million-affected-by-yolanda-1-598-still-missing>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.mb.com.ph/pacquiao-dedicating-sunday-fight-to-yolanda-victims/>