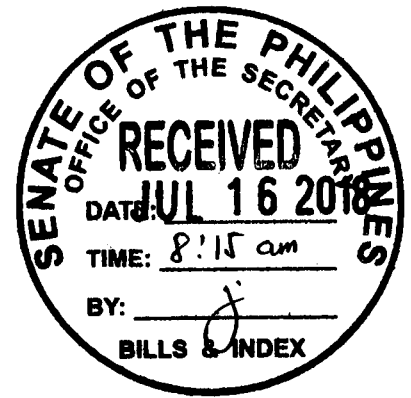


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**RESOLUTION**  
**CONGRATULATING FILIPINO RING SENSATION SENATOR MANNY**  
**“PACMAN” PACQUIAO FOR DEFEATING THE REIGNING WORLD**  
**BOXING ASSOCIATION (WBA) WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION LUCAS**  
**MATTHYSSE TO CLAIM THE TITLE IN THEIR BOXING MATCH, HELD**  
**ON JULY 15, 2018 AT THE AXIATA ARENA IN KUALA LUMPUR,**  
**MALAYSIA**

WHEREAS, Senator Manny “Pacman” Pacquiao’s astonishing international recognition debut came after his successive wins in his years of professional international boxing that earned him world championship belts in eight weight categories against boxing greats that include Juan Manuel Marquez, Miguel Cotto, Oscar De La Hoya, Shane Mosley, and Ricky Hatton;

WHEREAS, in his entire professional career in international boxing, Sen. Pacquiao was able to capture championship title belts in different weight divisions such as the WBC Flyweight, WBC Super Welterweight, IBF Super Bantamweight, Ring Featherweight, WBC Lightweight, IBO Light Welterweight, WBO Welterweight, and WBC Super Featherweight;

WHEREAS, last July 15, 2018, the much awaited Pacquiao – Matthyse match was staged in Axiata Arena in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia with the Filipino Ring Icon prevailing in the bout by way of a Technical Knockout victory, earning him the WBA Welterweight crown that paved the way for his 11<sup>th</sup> world championship title;

WHEREAS, inspite of the undisputed record of his younger opponent from Argentina, Lucas Matthyse, who holds a total of 39 wins with 36 by way of a knockout in his professional boxing career, Sen. Manny Pacquiao has displayed prowess in the boxing ring by overshadowing the reigning champion by knocking him down three times;

WHEREAS, aside from boxing, Sen. Manny Pacquiao, likewise displayed his leadership in public service, where he upholds in the highest esteem his constitutional duties as an elected legislator, for productively steering his chaired Senate Committees and actively participating in various committee hearings and plenary deliberations;

WHEREAS, the astounding feat of Filipino boxing great Sen. Manny Pacquiao over Lucas Matthyse, has once again delivered pride, joy and glory to the hearts of the millions of Filipino people cheering in the midst of the economic and political turmoil they are currently facing;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate Filipino Ring Sensation Senator Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao for defeating the reigning World Boxing Association (WBA) Welterweight Champion, Lucas Matthyse to claim the title in their boxing match, held on July 15, 2018, at the Axiata Arena in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

*Adopted,*

  
**VICENTE C. SOTTO III.**  
Senator