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INTRODUCED BY HON. MANNY VILLAR

RESOLUTION COMMENDING RONATO ALCANO FOR BEING THE 2006 WORLD POOL CHAMPION

WHEREAS, from November 4-12, 2006, one hundred twenty eight (128) worldclass billiard players from around the globe came to the Philippines to compete for the World Pool title;

WHEREAS, Ronato Alcano took the 2006 World Pool Championship Crown following a runaway 17-11 victory over Germany's Ralf Souquet at the Philippine International Convention Center on Sunday night.;

WHEREAS, Alcano, a 34-year old from Calamba, Laguna, went into the finals as an underdog against the 1996 champion but never looked in trouble as he led throughout the alternate break race-to-17 final;

WHEREAS, he now becomes the third Filipino following Efren Reyes in 1999 and Alex Pagulayan in 2004 to hold pool's most coveted title. Alcano takes the trophy, the title and with it the \$100,000 top prize;

WHEREAS, the Filipino opened up a huge 8-2 lead and from there it was always going to be an uphill struggle for Souquet. Alcano maintained his lead and the closest the German got was at 14-9 as he won three racks on the spin;

WHEREAS, Ronato Alcano is among the RP billiards masters that copped two gold medals in the 23^{rd} SEAGAMES having 15-ball singles and 15 ball pool doubles under his name;

WHEREAS, the 34-year-old cue master is a former 9-ball Asian tour Champion. He became part of the RP pool of athletes in 2005;

WHEREAS, Alcano 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 Ronato Alcano for being the 2006 World Pool Champion and for contributing to the pride and honor of the global Filipino.

Adopted.

MANNY VILLAR Senator