


SENATE  
P.S. Resolution No. 586



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Introduced by Senator **JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA**

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**RESOLUTION**

**COMMENDING RONATO "RONNIE" ALCANO FOR HIS VICTORY IN THE 2006 WORLD POOL CHAMPIONSHIP WHICH IS CONSIDERED AS THE WORLD'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS 9-BALL TOURNAMENT, THUS BRINGING PRIDE AND HONOR TO THE FILIPINO NATION**

WHEREAS, the 2006 World Pool Championship (WPC) was held in Pasay City, Philippines with the participation of delegates from forty-two (42) countries;

WHEREAS, among the Filipino pool players who joined the tournament is 34-year old Ronato "Ronnie" Alcano, a native of Calamba City, Laguna;

WHEREAS, Ronnie Alcano, who barely qualified in the eliminations and who appeared in the WPC finals for the first time, exhibited his skills and expertise in the sports and emerged as the champion of the 2006 WPC;

WHEREAS, on his way to triumph, Alcano toppled three (3) world champions – Germany's Ralf Souquet (champion in 1996), Philippines' Efren "Bata" Reyes (champion in 1999), and Chinese Taipei's Wu Chia-ching (champion in 2005);

WHEREAS, Alcano is the third Filipino to win what is considered as the world's most prestigious 9-ball tournament after Efren "Bata" Reyes and Alex Pagulayan, and his victory rewarded him with US\$100,000, the biggest prize of his life;

WHEREAS, more than the monetary reward, this recently-celebrated prestige of the Filipino people proves the distinction and brilliance of the Filipinos in billiards and earned the admiration and respect of the international community;

WHEREAS, throughout the tournament, Ronnie Alcano exhibited the excellence and resiliency of a Filipino athlete which serves as an inspiration to other athletes, especially to the youth;


WHEREAS, the humble beginnings of Ronnie Alcano's career started when he finished runner-up to veteran Edgar Acaba in a Vintage TV tournament,

"The Rising Stars of 9-Ball", ten (10) years ago and eventually competed in the Joss NE Tour in the United States;

WHEREAS, Alcano, who has been overshadowed by other Filipino billiard icons, has started to rise towards fame when he became a 9-ball Asian tour Champion and when he recently grabbed two (2) medals in last year's Southeast Asian Games;

WHEREAS, the Filipino people is confident that Ronnie Alcano and the other Filipino athletes will continue to bring pride and honor to the country by excelling in their respective fields of sports;

Now therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to commend Ronato "Ronnie" Alcano for his victory in the 2006 World Pool Championship which is considered as the world's most prestigious 9-ball tournament, thus bringing pride and honor to the Filipino nation.

  
**JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA**  
Senator