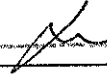


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SENATE

P.S. Res. No. 569

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RESOLUTION

COMMENDING WITH THE HIGHEST ESTEEM MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR DEFEATING BY WAY OF A KNOCKOUT MEXICAN THREE-TIME WORLD CHAMPION ERIK "EL TERRIBLE" MORALES IN A BOXING MATCH HELD LAST NOVEMBER 18, 2006 IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao and Erik "El Terrible" Morales, who each own a victory over the other, faced each other for the third time in a deciding match dubbed as the "*Pacquiao-Morales III: The Finale*" held last November 18, 2006 at the Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nevada;

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao, who is the current title holder of the WBC International Super Featherweight Champion of the World, earned his 43rd win and 33rd knockout record to his boxing career by defeating through an impressive 3rd round knockout Mexican Erik Morales thereby becoming the number one contender against world champion Marco Antonio Barrera for the highly-acclaimed World Boxing Council (WBC) Super Featherweight championship belt;

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao, who suffered a split decision loss during his first encounter with Erik Morales in 2005, made a dramatic comeback by beating the latter twice this year both by way of knockout, which happened to be the only losses by knockout of Morales, who was once recognized as one of the best boxers in the world at any weight category, in his fourteen (14) years of professional boxing career;

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao was bestowed the titles of World Flyweight Champion from 1998 to 1999 and World Super Bantamweight Champion from 2001 to 2004 by the World Boxing Council and International Boxing Federation, respectively, and currently the WBC International Super Featherweight Champion of the World, his third international boxing title;

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao, who was bestowed the coveted "Ring Belt Title" and dubbed as the "People's Champion" in the featherweight class by the prestigious "RING MAGAZINE", is ranked number two (2) in the pound-for-pound top fifty fighters in the world today;

WHEREAS, Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao, who fought with the Filipino people in his heart, displayed to the whole world the characteristics of a Filipino fighter and once again united and inspired the Filipino people towards the fulfillment of its goals and objectives for the betterment of the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to commend with the highest esteem Manny "PACMAN" Pacquiao for defeating by way of a knockout Mexican three-time world champion Erik "EL TERRIBLE" Morales in a boxing match held last November 18, 2006 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Adopted,



MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator