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Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

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**RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PEOPLE'S CHAMP AND SARANGANI CONGRESSMAN MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WORLD BOXING ORGANIZATION INTERNATIONAL WELTERWEIGHT TITLE AGAINST AMERICAN BOXER BRANDON LEE RIOS AT THE VENETIAN MACAO IN MACAO SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION ON 24 NOVEMBER 2013**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Senate has, on several occasions, paid tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes for their astonishing feats that bring home pride and glory to the country, such as by becoming champions in international sporting competitions;

**WHEREAS**, eight-division world champion and Filipino pride Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao once again made the country proud when he emerged victorious in his match against American boxer Brandon Lee Rios, winning the World Boxing Organization's (WBO) international welterweight title at the Venetian Macao in Macau, SAR on 24 November 2013;

**WHEREAS**, the 34-year old pound-for-pound king Pacquiao successfully secured the WBO international welterweight title through a unanimous decision of 120-108, 119-109, and 118-110, upping his boxing record of 55-5-2 (55 wins, 5 losses, and 2 draws) with 38 coming from knockouts;

**WHEREAS**, the fighting congressman of Saranggani is the first boxer to win the lineal championship in four different weight classes, and the first and only boxer in history to be hailed an octuple champion with his world titles in eight unprecedentedly different weight divisions, to wit: junior welterweight, lightweight, super featherweight, featherweight, super bantamweight, flyweight, welterweight, and super welterweight divisions;

**WHEREAS**, aside from earning the distinction as "the best pound for pound boxer in the world" by the majority of sporting news and boxing websites, the People's Champ is likewise regarded as the "Fighter of the Decade" for the 2000s by the Boxing Writers Association of America, and "Fighter of the Year" three times, awarded in 2006, 2008 and 2009, by The Ring and the Boxing Writers Association of America;

**WHEREAS**, by winning this fight, Congressman Manny Pacquiao has shown to the world the unrelenting spirit of Filipino competitiveness and excellence;

**WHEREAS**, this outstanding performance by our Filipino boxer deserves to be commended for the honor and recognition he has brought to our country.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,*** as it is hereby resolved by the Senate to congratulate and commend the People's Champ and Sarangani congressman Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao for winning the World Boxing Organization international welterweight title against American boxer Brandon Lee Rios at the Venetian Macao in Macau Special Administrative Region on 24 November 2013

***Adopted,***

  
**MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID**  
*Senator*