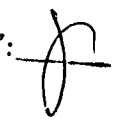


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**RESOLUTION**  
**COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING SENATOR EMMANUEL**  
**"MANNY" PACQUIAO FOR DEFEATING JESSIE VARGAS IN HIS**  
**COMEBACK BOXING MATCH HELD IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA AND**  
**BEING DECLARED AS THE NEW WBO WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPION**

**WHEREAS**, Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao has been considered to be one of the greatest boxers of all times – being the first and only eight-division world champion and the first to win the lineal championship at five different weight classes;

**WHEREAS**, in April 2016, after his fight against Timothy Bradley III, Sen. Pacquiao declared that the aforesaid fight was his last fight as a professional boxer;

**WHEREAS**, Sen. Pacquiao's passion for boxing is still burning that a fight between him and the World Boxing Organization (WBO) Welterweight Champion Jessie Vargas was set to happen at Thomas and Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nevada on November 05, 2016 despite his earlier declaration that he will retire;

**WHEREAS**, in the said comeback fight of Sen. Manny Pacquiao, he defeated the champion Jessie Vargas to claim the WBO welterweight title after completing the twelve (12) rounds, with all three judges scored the

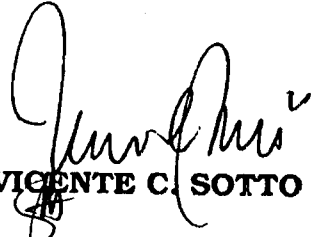
bout in Sen. Pacquiao's favour, two scoring it 118-109 and the third having him winning 114-113;

**WHEREAS**, Sen. Manny Pacquiao's immeasurable achievements and intense desire for boxing have brought honor, pride and inspiration to all Filipinos anywhere in the world, and have time and again put the country's name in a new light;

**WHEREAS**, Sen. Manny Pacquiao deserves to be recognized and commended once again not only for adding another world title to his collection but also for the concomitant pride and honor that he gives to our country;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Senate of the Philippines, commend and congratulate Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao for defeating Jessie Vargas in his comeback boxing match held in Las Vegas, Nevada and being declared as the new WBO welterweight champion.

*Adopted,*

  
**VICENTE C. SOTTO III**