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RESOLUTION

**COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING SENATOR
EMMANUEL "MANNY" PACQUIAO FOR WINNING THE WORLD
BOXING ORGANIZATION (WBO) WELTERWEIGHT TITLE AND
FOR CONTINUOUSLY INSPIRING FILIPINO ATHLETES TO
EXCEL IN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITION**

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2016, Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao reclaimed the World Boxing Organization (WBO) welterweight title as he won, in a unanimous decision, over former champion Jesse Vargas in Thomas and Mack Center, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA.

WHEREAS, this is the 3rd time that the Filipino champion holds the same title after it was lost last year to Floyd Mayweather. Senator Pacquiao first won the welterweight title in 2010 after defeating Miguel Cotto. Unfortunately, he lost it in 2012 to Timothy Bradley but won it back after a rematch in 2014.

WHEREAS, currently he is considered as one of the world's greatest boxers of all time for being the first and only boxer to win eight-division world championship of which he won 10 titles, as well as being the first to win the lineal championship at five different weight classes.

WHEREAS, it is also worth mentioning that he was chosen and named as the "Fighter of the Decade" for the 2000s by the Boxing Writers Association of America (BWAA), the World Boxing Council (WBC) and the World Boxing Organization (WBO).

WHEREAS, in the years 2006, 2008 and 2009, Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao had also been chosen, three-times, as the "Fighter of the year" by the Boxing Writers Association of America (BWAA) and the Ring Magazine, and the "Best Fighter" Excellence in Sports Performance Yearly (ESPY) Award in 2009 and 2011.¹

WHEREAS, significantly, for quite a long period of time, Manny Pacquiao has been considered by most sporting news such as ESPN, Sports Illustrated, Sporting Life and others, as the best pound for pound boxer in the world for captivating world boxing titles in different weight class. He has also been considered to have the longest reigning top-10 boxer on The Ring's pound for pound list.

WHEREAS, with all his achievements, Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao clearly exhibited excellence in his endeavors as sportsperson. He became a pride to every Filipinos around the world and has brought dignity and respect for having a true whole-hearted sportsmanship that he has shown the world.

WHEREAS, Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao is worthy to be commended and congratulated. His victory definitely brings not only honor to our country, but also inspiration to our athletes to strive and excel in international sports scenario.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it hereby resolved, to commend and congratulate Senator Emmanuel "Manny" Pacquiao for winning the World Boxing Organization welterweight title and for continuously inspiring Filipino Athletes to excel in International sports competition.

Adopted,



JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
Senator

¹ Himmer, Alastair (June 5, 2010). "Pacquiao named fighter of the decade". Reuters.