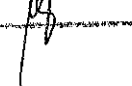


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Introduced by Sen. Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING FILIPINO BOXING
ICON MANNY "PACMAN" PACQUIAO FOR
WRESTLING HIS FOURTH WORLD TITLE WITH A
NINTH-ROUND KNOCKOUT OF DAVID DIAZ
CLINCHING THE WORLD BOXING COUNCIL
LIGHTWEIGHT CROWN IN A FIGHT HELD LAST
JUNE 28, 2008 AT THE MANDALAY BAY EVENTS
CENTER IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, U.S.A.**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Senate has in several occasions paid tribute to outstanding Filipino athletes in the professional boxing league for their astonishing feat of bringing home pride to the country by becoming world champions;

WHEREAS, the landmark victory of Manny Pacquiao over Mexican turned American David Diaz marks his historic fourth title in four different weight divisions which is in addition to his flyweight, super-bantamweight and super-flyweight titles and the first Filipino lightweight champion thereby improving his ring record to 47 wins, three losses and two draws;

WHEREAS, the evident eagerness of Diaz to win and avoid being added to the list of Mexicans vanquished by Pacquiao regarded him a deadly opponent to our national hero; however, these proved insufficient to the hard work and determination displayed by Pacquiao to bring joy, honor and glory to the Filipino people;

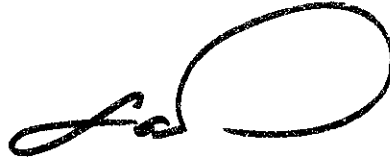
WHEREAS, Manny Pacquiao's fight and victory over David Diaz, which was dedicated by our hero to the nation, was a much-needed respite after suffering from the massive devastation of typhoon "Frank" and has given our country hope that we can triumph over any disaster facing us;

WHEREAS, the display of high quality sportsmanship and professionalism displayed by Pacquiao throughout the bout earned him not only the respect of boxing fanatics worldwide but even his own opponent, Diaz, as the latter expressed admiration over the clean and good fight that Pacman has given him;

WHEREAS, once again Pacquiao proved to the whole world that the Filipinos are still the best in the boxing arena.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Senate to congratulate Filipino boxing icon Manny "Pacman" Pacquiao for winning his fourth world title with a ninth-round knockout of David Diaz clinching the World Boxing Council Lightweight crown in a fight held last June 28, 2008 at the Mandalay Bay Events Center in Las Vegas, Nevada, U.S.A.

Adopted,



MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
Senator