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RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING NONITO DONAIRE, JR. FOR DEFENDING THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING ORGANIZATION (IBO)/INTERNATIONAL BOXING FEDERATION (IBF) FLYWEIGHT CROWN AT THE ARANETA COLISEUM IN QUEZON CITY, LAST APRIL 19, 2009

WHEREAS, the 27-year old Nonito Donaire Jr., also known as the "Filipino Flash," knocked down Mexican-American challenger Raul Martinez four times to keep his IBO/IBF titles by technical knockout;

WHEREAS, the 5-foot-6 Donaire floored Martinez twice in the opening round, once in the second round, and for the last time at the 2:42 mark of the fourth round to remain the champion;

WHEREAS, his victory improved his win-loss record to 21-1-0 (14 by way of knockout) while handling the erstwhile undefeated Martinez his first loss after 24 fights;

WHEREAS, Filipino boxers like Donaire proved to the whole world that the Filipinos are still the best in the boxing arena;

WHEREAS, he fought and displayed high quality sportsmanship and fair play in victory and undoubtedly gave his best to win not only trophies but honor and glory for our country, making him a sports hero: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate, To commend and congratulate Nonito Donaire, Jr. for defending the International Boxing Organization (IBO)/International Boxing Federation (IBF) Flyweight crown at the Araneta Coliseum in Quezon City, last April 19, 2009.

Adopted,

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on April 22, 2009.

EMMA LIRIO REYES
Secretary of the Senate

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