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Introduced by Senators Flavier, Drilon, Pangilinan, Enrile, Angara, Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada, Magsaysay Jr., and Biazon

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to grant Philippine Citizenship to Mr. Charles William Mosser, a US national.

Mr. Mosser served in the US Navy during World War II and set foot in the Philippines for the first time when his convoy, carrying much needed war material for fighting American troops and Filipino guerillas, arrived in Tacloban sometime in 1943. It was then that Mr. Mosser vowed to return to the Philippines someday, having fallen in love with the country and its inhabitants.

After his discharge from the Navy, he entered the real estate business and made a success of the endeavor. At present, he manages 20 apartment buildings and 6 hotels in the City and County of San Francisco, California. He is also in the process of developing 28 condominium units in San Rafael California.

Despite his successes in the United States, Mr. Mosser's desire to return to the Philippines never wavered. It is because of his love for the Philippines that he came back to our country and devoted his time and effort to the distribution of books, the rebuilding of schools and the giving of relief clothing to children. He was also able to establish business operations in our country among which includes hotel and restaurant property management services, construction and retail operations.

Together with his Filipina wife, Annabelle Idemne Mosser, they formed the Charles and Annabelle Mosser Foundation, Inc., a foundation devoted to education. The foundation has been active in importing over five million books from the State of California and distributing them to schools all over the Philippines. It has also sponsored a program called Model of Excellence (MOE) Schools that equips schools with full libraries, library building, computer rooms, and computers. Along with these projects, he keeps a staff of Filipinos who perform functions that include the administration of scholarship programs, among others.

For the last three years, Mr. Mosser and his wife have also been planting trees in denuded forests of the Island of Negros. He has also engaged the services of persons in replanting 20,000 denuded hectares in the island as part of his project to help impoverished upland people. His goal is to plant 18,600,000 trees of which 2,000,000 have already been planted.

Charles has lived a very long life and now at the advanced age of seventy-seven (77) years, he has found his home in the Philippines. His services to our people, from World War II to his present socio-civic activities, speak of his sincere desire to be one of us. Granting him citizenship will only serve to benefit our country.

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AN ACT

GRANTING FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP TO MR. CHARLES WILLIAM MOSSER, WITH ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES AND PREROGATIVES APPURTENANT THERETO

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. There is hereby granted a special recognition to Mr. Charles William Mosser for his long and outstanding service to the Filipino people through his involvement in developmental and socio-civic projects in the country, proving himself more than worthy to be a Filipino.

- **SEC. 2.** The Republic of the Philippines will be considered the permanent place of abode of Mr. Charles William Mosser to which he shall forever owe and pledge allegiance and loyalty.
- **SEC. 3.** Philippine citizenship is hereby granted to Mr. Charles William Mosser, with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.
 - SEC. 4. This act shall take effect upon approval.

Approved,