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## AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO BRIAN TO

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to grant citizenship to Mr. Brian To, OBE and him the rights, privileges, and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations, appurtenant thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

Mr. Brian To, OBE has been one of the staunch supporters of the Philippine Navy and an advocate of its modernization. As part of his advocacy, he conducted several Strategic Leadership and Management Training Workshops for the Philippine Navy. Mr. To, OBE also led the Navy Strategy Program (NAVSTRAP) on at least two occasions. The programs are meant to build capacity for strategy execution and is aligned with the institution's advocacy to raise leadership standards, improve professionalism, and enhance competencies within the organization.

As an incentive to his immense contributions, the Philippine Navy has even recommended to grant Mr. To, OBE a Filipino Citizenship.

In view of the substantial and valuable insights contributed by Mr. Brian To, OBE to the Philippine Navy's organizational development and professional growth, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

1	SECTION 1. Mr. Brian To is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the
2	rights, privileges, and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations appurtenant
3	thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.
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5	SEC. 2. Mr. Brian To shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the
6	Philippines before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath of
7	Allegiance shall be registered with the Bureau of Immigration.
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9	SEC. 3. Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of
10	Immigration shall issue a Certificate of Naturalization to Mr. Brian To who shall
11	thereupon enter into the full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.
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13	SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following the
14	completion of its publication either in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of
15	general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,