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**AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO JUSTIN BROWNLEE**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Born on 23 April 1988, hailing from Tifton, GA, 6'6 basketball player Justin Brownlee has proven that his height is as extraordinary as his accomplishments in the Philippine Basketball Association (PBA).

Ever since replacing Paul Harris in the 2016 Governor's Cup, Justin Brownlee has won five (5) PBA titles, including four (4) against Meralco. Despite suffering an injury playing for Al Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates last year, Justin Brownlee has managed to shrug it off and coincidentally, put implausible statistics during the PBA Governors' Cup.

As a resident import of Ginebra since setting foot in the country in 2016, Justin Brownlee has managed to become the 5th on the PBA imports' all-time scoring list. He won the Best Import trophy for the second time in his PBA career thereby making him the 10th import in the history of the PBA to win the said award more than once.¹

With his astounding performance, Justin Brownlee is expected to give reinforcement to Gilas Pilipinas for the Fiba Basketball World Cup in November.

¹ <https://news.abs-cbn.com/sports/04/13/22/pba-ginebras-brownlee-earns-second-best-import-trophy>

Moreover, no less than Gilas coach Chot Reyes noted that Brownlee will boost the country's bid to regain the top spot in the SEA Games in May.²

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.



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² <https://www.spin.ph/multisport/news-you-need-to-know-justin-brownlee-cam-oliver-gilas-and-more-a1374-20220913>

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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. Justin Brownlee is hereby granted Philippine Citizenship with
2 all the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations
3 appurtenant thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the
4 Philippines.

5 **SEC. 2.** Mr. Justin Brownlee shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic
6 of the Philippines before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath
7 of Allegiance shall be registered with the Bureau of Immigration.

8 **SEC. 3.** Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of
9 Immigration shall issue a Certificate of Naturalization to Mr. Justin Brownlee who
10 shall thereupon enter into full enjoyment of the Philippine citizenship.

11 **SEC. 6. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
12 publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
13 circulation.

Approved,