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Introduced by SENATOR RONALD "BATO" DELA ROSA

# AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO CAMERON OLIVER

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Cameron Oliver is no stranger to the basketball fans worldwide. A 6-foot-8, 26-year old player from Nevada, Cameron Oliver campaigned for the Houston Rockets and the Atlanta Hawks as well as in Australia, Israel, and Spain, before signing with TNT Tropang Giga, his first tour of duty in the Philippines.<sup>1</sup>

During his brief stay with the Rockets, he averaged 10.8 points and 5.3 rebounds while seeing action in four games. Oliver also had a 10-day appearance with the Atlanta Hawks last season where he played two games and averaged 11.5 points and three rebounds. Outside of scoring, Oliver is also a solid rebounder, leading the National Basketball League Australia in rebounding. In the 2019-2020 season while playing for the CQUniversity Taipans, he averaged 17.4 and 9.11 rebounds per game. The next season, he posted averages of 17.33 points and 10 rebounds per game. The well-built 26-year old player also saw action in the Spanish League last February, and for Unicaja Malaga where he posted averages of 8.6 points and 5.2 rebounds in 20 minutes of action. In the Puerto Rican League, Oliver came away with averages of 15.1 points and 8.4 rebounds.<sup>2</sup>

Undoubtedly, with his high statistics recorded in different courts around the

<sup>1</sup> https://tribune.net.ph/2022/09/12/cameron-oliver-justin-brownlee-brace-for-naturalization/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://news.abs-cbn.com/sports/08/20/22/pba-tnt-to-bring-in-former-houston-rocket-as-import

world, Cameron Oliver's naturalization is expected to reinforce Gilas Pilipinas in tournaments which can improve the team's standing in the sport that has become part of the Filipino culture and lifestyle.

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

RONALD "BATO" DELA ROSA

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

- SECTION 1. Mr. Cameron Oliver 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. Cameron Oliver shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic
- 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. Cameron Oliver who
- shall thereupon enter into full enjoyment of the Philippine citizenship.
- 11 SEC. 6. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
- publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
- 13 circulation.

Approved,