

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 5368



INTRODUCED BY CONGRESSMAN ANTONIO H. CERILLES

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to grant Philippine Citizenship to Rev. Bonaventure Yujie Bai, O.F.M., a Chinese National.

Reverend Father Bonaventure was born in China on June 18, 1975 and was ordained as priest by Most Rev. Archbishop Bonaventure Chang, O.F.M. on January 3, 1999. He was accepted in the Franciscan Order (OFM) in 2005. The main monastery is in San Francisco del Monte, Quezon City.

He has been in the Philippines ever since. In the beginning, he studied the English Language, then enrolled in the University of Sto. Tomas to study Biblical Theology. Meanwhile he served the Filipino people and the Filipino-Chinese Catholic Community in Manila and in Josefina, Zamboanga del Sur where he worked with the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary whose mission is to work and live with the indigenous people of Zamboanga Peninsula called Subanens. Here in Manila, he also serves as one of the hospital chaplains in the Makati Medical Center, tending to the elderly, the sick and the dying patients.

When Fr. Bonaventure joined the Order of Friars Minor (OFM), Franciscans, the principal sponsor and his spouse stood as his foster parents, since his parent could not be present due to political reasons.

As a Franciscan he really dedicated himself to the inter-religious dialogue, especially with the Muslims. He went to Cotabato, Pikit, Basilan, Baloi, Marawi City to be with the Muslim and indigenous peoples to live and pray with them. He has proven himself worthy of the rights, privileges and prerogative of a citizen of this country.

Reverend Father Bonaventure Yujie Bai, O.F.M. has manifested his desire to make the Philippines his permanent home and become a Philippine Citizen, by virtue of his long and valuable contributions to the moral, spiritual and material growth of the Philippines.

Thus the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT TO GRANT FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP TO REV. FR.
BONAVENTURE YUJIE BAI, O.F.M.**

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

SECTION 1 : Rev. Fr. Bonaventure Yujie Bai, a Chinese citizen, Roman Catholic Priest of the Order of Friars Minor, (OFM) Franciscan is hereby granted Philippine citizenship: Provided, that he subscribes to the appropriate oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines as a Filipino citizen.

SECTION 2 : This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,

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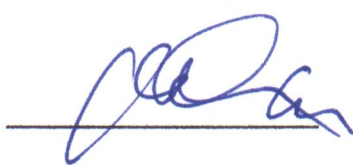
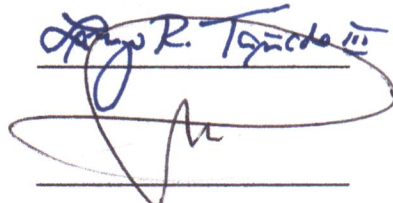
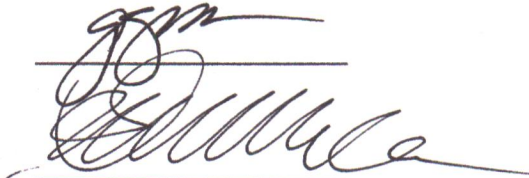
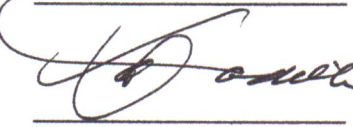
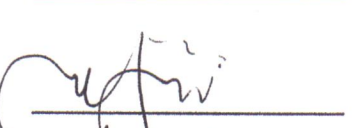
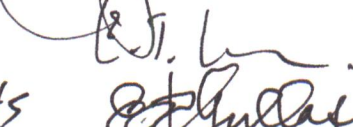
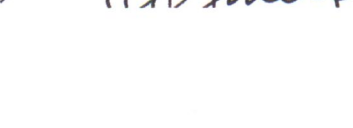
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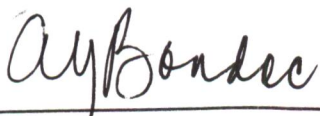
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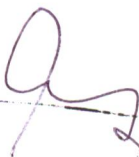
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