

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Constitution Hills, Quezon City

**SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS**  
Second Regular Session

**7316**  
HOUSE BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_



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Introduced by

**REPRESENTATIVE ANTHONY M. BRAVO**

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AN ACT GRANTING FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP TO MR. XU HAIGANG aka JAIME CO

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to grant Philippine citizenship to Mr. XU HAIGANG aka JAIME CO under Article IV, Section 1 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution. He is a Chinese national who has rendered notable service to the country and to the Filipino people.

Xu Haigang aka Jaime Co first visited the Philippines in 1995 to help Filipino-Chinese citizens introduce quality but affordable Chinese medicinal drugs which eventually become widely accepted in the country. Years later, he co-founded BiogenPharma, Inc., a company that caters quality medicines and state of the art medical equipment.

BiogenPharma Inc. makes available affordable medicines and medical equipment to the Filipino people. It is a vibrant and growing company which employs a considerable number of Filipino personnel. On top of this, it provided business opportunities to many Filipinos who in turn have significantly contributed to the economic growth of the country.

During his stint in the Philippines, he has developed love for its people, culture and tradition. It was not long that he founded ShiShi First High School (Phil.) Alumni Association. His sincere desire to serve the Filipino people attained prominence when he became the Chairman of Filipino Chinese General Chamber of Commerce Inc. - Youth Committee. It is through these associations that he demonstrated, once again, his soft heart for the Filipinos when he championed countless charitable undertakings including extensive medical missions in the country.

He is a proud member of Philippine Coast Guard Auxiliary (PCGA) with a rank of a Commodore and has been serving the same with utmost passion and dedication. In fact, he was recently awarded with a merit medal and ribbon for his outstanding contribution to workforce development through investment in equipment, technology and training, further enhancing the capability of the PCG personnel in undertaking their mission as lifesavers. In

addition, he had actively participated and funded relief efforts for the Filipino victims of calamities.

As a testament to his kindred Filipino spirit, he had constantly collaborated with the Philippine Consul General in Xiamen, China in pursuing several initiatives towards promoting cooperation and linkages between Philippines and Fujian on business and trade, culture, arts and tourism. It can be said that he initiated and sponsored trading and business between Xiamen, China and the Philippines which opened a new era of business and trading between the two. Ultimately, these accomplishments further strengthen the relation between the Philippines and China.

All told, Mr. Xu Haigang aka Jaime Co had contributed much to the Philippines and to the Filipino people. In all likelihood, he will contribute more in the years to come.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is greatly and sincerely sought.

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**HON. ANTHONY M. BRAVO, Ph.D.**  
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

**SECTION 1.**MR. XU HAIGANG aka JAIME CO is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.

**SECTION 2.**MR. XU HAIGANG aka JAIME CO shall take the oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines before an officer duly authorize to administer the same.

**SECTION 3.** Said oath of allegiance shall be registered with the Bureau of Immigration for the issuance of Certificate of Naturalization of MR. XU HAIGANG aka JAIME CO who shall thereupon enter into the full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.

**SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the official gazette or at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

**Approved.**