

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Third Regular Session)



House of Representatives

House Bill No. 8860

Introduced by Representative Doy C. Leachon

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The privilege of being considered as a citizen of the Philippines is enshrined in the 1987 Constitution. Unfortunately, the same is not afforded to anyone. For instance, those born of Filipino mothers at the time the 1935 Constitution was in place, had to elect Philippine citizenship upon reaching the age of majority to become one.

Roderick Cameron McMicking Hall was born on 07 November 1932, at the Hospital Español de Santiago in Makati, then a part of Rizal province. His family had deep connections with the Philippines. His mother, a Filipina, was born in Manila on 20 November 1909. Both his grandparents were also born in the Philippines. Hall's grandfather, Jose McMicking, was born in Iloilo on 07 November 1877. His grandmother, Angelina Anisia Rico Ynchausti, was born in Manila in 1888. His uncle, Alfred McMicking, who was an officer in the 41st Division of the Philippine Army, was captured as prisoner, and later became among those subjected to the Death March.

Mr. Hall holds strong memories and deep affection for the land where his family lived, and where they now rest in an unknown tomb. During the Japanese occupation, Mr. Hall lived with his grandparents at 740 Dakota Street (now Adriatico Street) in Manila. On 20 January 1945, Japanese troops entered their home, and after a through search, took everyone to their headquarters at the Masonic Temple in Taft Avenue. At the end of the day, a list was called out, and the servants, he and his brother, were released. The rest of his family, his mother, grandmother, uncle Alfred, and

aunt Helen, and others, were kept as prisoners. His family was never seen again. No bodies were ever found.

His experiences during the war has driven him to build a memorial, and to all who perished in the Battle for Manila. Mr. Hall was one of the three founders of Memorare-Manila 1945 Foundation, a private, non-profit organization founded by the civilian survivors of the Battle of Manila and their descendants. The foundation built the Memorare – Manila 1945 Monument in Intramuros, Manila, which is meant to commemorate the lives lost during the battle for the liberation of Manila, waged by Filipino and American forces against Imperial Japanese troops from 03 February 1945 to 03 March 1945.

Mr. Hall had been working hard over the past twenty five years to collect as much data, personal histories, and official reports on what happened in the Philippines during World War II. He had given his collection to the Filipinas Heritage Library in Makati City. It includes more than three hundred memoirs written by Japanese soldiers about their experiences in the Philippines, and is considered the most important collection on the war in the Philippines. In San Francisco, California, Hall and his sister were early supporters of the Bataan Legacy Historical Society, which had put in efforts to include in all California textbooks the history of Bataan and Corregidor and the bravery of the Filipino troops.

Mr. Hall is also engaged in studying oral histories of native tribes, including that of the Manobo of Mindanao, the tribes of Panay and the Kalinga of Northern Luzon.

Mr. Hall's efforts over these past years evince his strong desire to be a Filipino citizen. He has demonstrated that he is committed to the country and will remain to be so.

For these considerations, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO
RODERICK MCMICKING HALL**

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

SECTION 1. Mr. Roderick Cameron McMicking Hall is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges, prerogatives, duties and obligations appurtenant thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

SECTION 2. After the taking by Mr. Roderick Cameron McMicking Hall of his Oath of Allegiance before an officer duly authorized for the purpose, and the registration of the same with the Bureau of Immigration, Mr. Roderick McMicking Hall shall enter upon the full enjoyment of his Philippine citizenship.

SECTION 3. Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of Immigration shall forthwith issue Mr. Roderick Cameron McMicking Hall's Certificate of Naturalization.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FACT SHEET

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OBJECTIVE :

To grant Philippine citizenship to Mr. Roderick McMicking Hall, a British national, in recognition of his effort for the past twenty-five years to document and preserve memories of the events that transpired in the Philippines during World War II, among others:

- Mr. Roderick McMicking Hall was born on 07 November 1932, at the Hospital Español de Santiago in Makati, then a part of Rizal province. His family had deep connections with the Philippines. His mother, a Filipina, was born in Manila on 20 November 1909. Both his grandparents were also born in the Philippines. Hall's grandfather, Jose McMicking, was born in Iloilo on 07 November 1877. His grandmother, Angelina Anisia Rico Ynchausti, was born in Manila in 1888. His uncle, Alfred McMicking, who was an officer in the 41st Division of the Philippine Army, was captured as prisoner, and later became among those subjected to the Death March.
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search, took everyone to their headquarters at the Masonic Temple in Taft Avenue. At the end of the day, a list was called out, and the servants, he and his brother, were released. The rest of his family, his mother, grandmother, uncle Alfred, and aunt Helen, and others, were kept as prisoners. His family was never seen again. No bodies were ever found.

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- Hall's efforts over these past years evince his strong desire to be a Filipino citizen. He has demonstrated that he is committed to the country and will remain to be so.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate approval of this bill is hereby sought.

KEY PROVISIONS :

- Grant Philippine citizenship to Mr. Roderick McMicking Hall, with all the rights, privileges, duties and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.

Provide that upon taking the oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippine and its registration before the Bureau of Immigration and the issuance of his Certificate of Naturalization, Mr. Roderick McMicking Hall shall enter upon the

①THERE ARE NO OFFICIAL OBSERVATIONS①



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