

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

**19TH CONGRESS**  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 825



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**Introduced by Honorable Michael L. Romero**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**Mr. Justin Donta Brownlee** was born on April 23, 1988 at Georgia, United States of America.

Brownlee first introduced himself to Filipinos in the 2016 PBA Governors Cup, where he led Barangay Ginebra to its first championship in eight years. The 30 year old Brownlee then, gave the Gin Kings two more titles in the 2017 Governor's Cup and in the recently-concluded Commissioner's Cup where he was also named Best Import.

He has brought enormous pride and joy to the Philippine Basketball Association (PBA), as well as to all basketball enthusiasts in the country. Justin Brownlee said he can have a house here just like Norman Black or other imports who have fallen in love with the Filipinos and the Philippines.

With a very decorated and illustrious career, he wishes to play for the Philippine National team, he also wants the Philippines to be his permanent home.

At present, he continues with his efficient sportive activities and is socially active through community service. **Justin Donta Brownlee** is dependable when it comes to helping Filipinos - a true mark of a Filipino spirit and Character.

His allegiance in this country is indubitable, his skills and competency in the field of basketball shall truly complement the entire nation.

Thus, let Congress give to him the privilege of becoming a Filipino citizen.

With the foregoing, the immediate passage of this bill is most humbly and earnestly sought.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Romero', written over a horizontal line.

**MICHAEL L. ROMERO Ph.D.**

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**AN ACT**  
**GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO**  
**MR. JUSTIN DONTA BROWNLEE**

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

**SECTION 1.** **Justin Donta Brownlee** is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.

Upon taking and registration of the oath of allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines, **Justin Donta Brownlee** shall enter upon the full enjoyment of Philippine Citizenship.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from publication in the Official Gazette or two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,