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S. B. NO. 1509

### Introduced by SENATOR JOEL VILLANUEVA

#### AN ACT GRANTING FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP TO KYLE JENNERMANN, WITH ALL THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES AND PREROGATIVES APPURTENANT THERETO

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to grant Philippine citizenship to Kyle Jennermann and giving him all the rights and privileges as well as the duties and obligations thereto under our Constitution and existing laws.

Kyle Jennermann is a Canadian national who found himself enamored with the Philippines. He firmly believes that the world would be a better place to live if people around the world make the Philippines a part of their lives in one way or another.

Stuck with this belief, "Kulas", which is the nickname that Jennermann was given several years ago by one of the "manongs" whom he met in one of his travels, lived with a purpose: introduce the Philippines to the rest of the world through the internet with his vlogs. He set up the YouTube channel called "Becoming Filipino" in order to accomplish this, and through time, effort, and his love for the country, he has become an internet sensation with close to a million subscribers. Through his vlogs, he has created and published thousands of video content showcasing his real-life interactions and connections with the Filipino people and their culture all throughout his eight years of immersive travel across eighty (80) out of the eighty-one (81) provinces.

In view of Kyle Jennermann's contributions to the promotion of Filipino culture and identity to the rest of the world, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Kyle Jennermann is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with 2 all the rights, privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.
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SEC. 2. – After taking and registration of the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic
of the Philippines, Kyle Jennermann shall enter into the full enjoyment of
Philippine citizenship.

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8 SEC. 3. – Upon the registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of 9 Immigration shall forthwith issue Kyle Jennermann's Certificate of 10 Naturalization.

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SEC. 4.- This Act shall take effect immediately fifteen (15) days upon
 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general
 circulation.

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- 16 Approved,