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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure seeks to grant Philippine citizenship to Bruce Donald Mc Tavish, with all the rights and corresponding obligations appurtenant thereto as a natural born Filipino citizen.

Bruce Donald Mc Tavish was born in Auckland, New Zealand. He moved to the Philippines on February 12, 1967 and settled in Angeles City, Pampanga, where he provided exemplary contributions as a sportsman, entrepreneur, civic leader, devout Catholic and philanthropist.

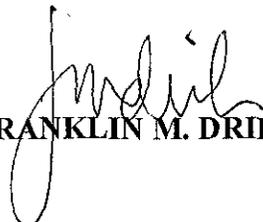
Mc Tavish, a boxing referee for over 35 years, spearheaded seminars for ring officials around the country sponsored by the Games and Amusement Board and the World Boxing Council (WBC). He also popularized international darts in the Philippines, being a champion of five international tournaments that were held in Pampanga and Manila.

Mc Tavish was among the pioneer investors at the Clark Freeport Zone (Clark Special Economic Zone). He exemplified business skills and leadership that made him the President of the Hotel and Restaurant Association in Pampanga. He was also the only non-Filipino director of the Metro Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

In 1983, he became the president of the Rotary Club of Mabalacat and initiated the first anti-polio program of the international club worldwide. He also headed Rotary Club of Clark Centennial Street as its president and, together with other members, formed the Rotary Club of Clark Centennial Street Children Foundation, Inc.

Mc Tavish is a staunch advocate of street children's rights, raising funds to support the education and subsistence of school children and providing lodging to them. In 2005, he motivated the street children to engage in sports by introducing rugby-football. Further, he hosted the first Pony League Baseball Tournament Elimination Series, which was participated by teams from Japan, Hong Kong, Taiwan and two other Filipino teams, at the "Angeles Bahay Bata Center."

Recognizing his exemplary contributions, the City Council of Angeles City bestowed upon him Honorary Citizenship. He considers the country as his home, having spent forty years of his life here, and embraces the Filipino custom, tradition and ideals. Thus, he seeks to be granted Filipino citizenship under Article IV, Section 1 of the Philippine Constitution.


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AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO BRUCE DONALD MC TAVISH

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

1 **SECTION 1.** Bruce Donald Mc Tavish is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the
2 rights, privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto. Upon taking and registration of the oath of
3 allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines, Bruce Mc Tavish shall enter the full enjoyment of the
4 Philippine citizenship.

5 **SECTION 2.** Repealing Clause. - Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order,
6 letter of instruction, administrative order, rule of regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the
7 provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

8 **SECTION 3.** Effectivity Clause. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
9 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

10 Approved,