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**AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO JUVENAL SANSO**

Explanatory Note

This bill seeks to grant Philippine Citizenship to master painter and artist, Juvenal Sanso.

Born in Spain, Juvenal Sanso has spent a significant period of his life in the Philippines where his accomplishments in the field of visual arts are lauded. In 2006, he was awarded The Presidential Medal of Merit by President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo. It is the most prestigious award given by the government to an artist for his invaluable contribution to Philippine visual arts.

In 1989, he did six simultaneous exhibits in Manila at the Metropolitan Museum, Lopez Museum, Ayala Museum, Center Cultural de España, Alliance Française, and the Finale Art File. He consequently won first prize in the watercolor and oil category of Art Association of the Philippines competition in the years 1950 and 1951, respectively.

Juvenal Sanso resides in the Philippines through his own choice. A museum, Fundacion Sanso, was established in San Juan City through his guidance and support.

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

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

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Juvenal Sanso is hereby granted Philippine Citizenship with all
- 2 the rights and privileges and prerogatives appurtenant thereto.
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- 4 **Sec. 2.** After the taking and the registration of the oath of allegiance to the
- 5 Republic of the Philippines, Juvenal Sanso shall enter into the full enjoyment
- 6 of Philippine citizenship.
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- 8 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
- 9 publication in the Official Gazette or at least two (2) newspapers of general
- 10 circulation.
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- 12 Approved,