COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1337
Submitted by the Committee on Justice on November 22, 2021
Re: House Bill No. 10530
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 8687
Sponsors: Representatives Vicente “Ching” S. E. Veloso III and Virgilio S. Lacson

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Justice, to which was referred House Bill No. 8687, introduced by Representative Virgilio S. Lacson, entitled:

“AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO LIPENG ZHANG”

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 10530 entitled:

“AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO ZIBIN LIANG”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 8687, with Representatives Virgilio S. Lacson and Vicente “Ching” S. E. Veloso III as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

VICENTE “CHING” S. E. VELOSO III
Chairperson
Committee on Justice

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
QUEZON CITY
Republic of the Philippines
HOUSB OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Third Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 10530
(in substitution of House Bill Number 8687)

Introduced by Representatives Virgilio S. Lacson and Vicente "Ching" S. E. Veloso III

AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO LIPENG ZHANG

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

SECTION 1. Mr. Lipeng Zhang is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations appurtenant thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

SEC. 2. Mr. Lipeng Zhang shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath of Allegiance shall be registered with the Bureau of Immigration.

SEC. 3. Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of Immigration shall issue a Certificate of Naturalization to Mr. Lipeng Zhang who shall thereupon enter into the full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.

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

Approved,
FACT SHEET

House Bill No. 10530
(In substitution of HB No. 8687)
(Approved by the Committee on September 29, 2021)

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO LIPENG ZHANG”.

Introduced by: Rep. VIRGILIO "VG" S. LACSON

Committee Referral: COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE
Committee Chairperson: REP. VICENTE “CHING” S.E. VELOSO III

OBJECTIVE:

To grant Philippine citizenship to Mr. Lipeng Zhang, a Chinese National from Guangdong, China, in recognition of his notable contributions to the Philippines, considering that:

- he has been in the Philippines since 2010;
- he established with his Filipino and Filipino-Chinese friends Oriental Union Property Inc., a company that provides affordable housing for Filipinos;
- he is genuinely concerned with the general welfare of the Filipinos and promises to help the country by providing job opportunities to the citizenry;
- he embodies the Filipino values of perseverance, determination, and dedication to work and service to the country, and has a sincere desire to live in the Philippines as a Filipino citizen.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Grants Philippine citizenship Mr. Lipeng Zhang, with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations, appurtenant thereto.
- Provides that upon the taking of the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines before an officer duly authorized for this purpose, registration of the same with the Bureau of Immigration, and issuance of his Certificate of Naturalization, Mr. Cai shall enter upon the full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.

RELATED LAW:

- Article IV, Section 1(4), 1987 Constitution