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**AN ACT CREATING TWO ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT NAVOTAS, <sup>CITY</sup> FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

1           **SECTION 1.** Two (2) additional Metropolitan Trial Court branches for Navotas City,  
2 with seats thereat, are hereby created in the National Capital Judicial Region.

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4           **SECTION 2.** The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number for the newly created  
5 branches.

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7           **SECTION 3.** Accordingly, Section 14(d) and Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129,  
8 otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980," as amended, as well as other  
9 provisions that may be inconsistent herewith, are hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or  
10 further amended.

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12           **SECTION 4.** The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary  
13 of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include, as may be determined on a priority  
14 basis, in the Court's program the implementation of this Act. The funding therefor shall  
15 likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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17           **SECTION 5. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its  
18 publication in the Official Gazette or two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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