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Senate Bill No. 664

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (MMMHMC) located in the City of Batac, llocos Norte is one of the tertiary hospitals in Region 1. Its strategic location in the Northwestern Quad of Luzon makes accessible and affordable quality healthcare to patients from llocos Norte to Northern llocos Sur, Cagayan, Kalinga, Apayao and Abra. The hospital which is run by the Department of Health (DOH) has the capability to manage cases from primary level to tertiary, with concentration on management of tertiary cases.

With the global concern on emerging and re-emerging diseases, the state should endeavor to equip its hospitals to address the modern day requirements of health care. MMMHMC has been considered as the end referral institution in this side of the country and has experienced a consistently increasing number of admitted patients since 2006 which was 85.06% up to 115% in 2010.

This bill seeks to increase the authorized bed capacity of MMMHMC from two hundred (200) to three hundred (300) with corresponding increase of its medical personnel and budget allocation in order to upgrade its service and facilities and professional health care. Certainly, the said expansion will complement the health care services of our locally run hospitals in the area whose services and goal for excellence are commonly impaired by inadequate budget allocation.

Thus, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

FERDINAND R. MARCOS, JR.



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AN ACT

INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF MARIANO MARCOS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER (MMMHMC) IN BATAC CITY FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO THREE HUNDRED (300), UPGRADING ITS SERVICE AND FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- **SECTION 1.** The authorized bed capacity of the Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (MMMHMC) in the City of Batac, llocos Norte is hereby upgraded from two hundred (200) to three hundred (300) beds.
- **SECTION 2.** The existing service facilities and professional health care service of the MMMHMC are hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity increase as provided for in Section 1 hereof.
- **SECTION 3.** The existing workforce shall be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health (DOH), in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and Civil Service Commission (CSC), shall determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up upon prior consultation with the MMMHMC.
- **SECTION 4.** The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations for the organizational adjustment fund. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued operation shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,