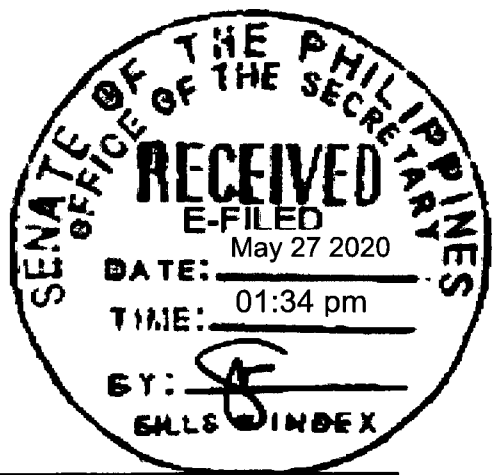


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall give priority to education. The Constitution further declares that the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all. The establishment, maintenance and support of a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society is a priority of the State.

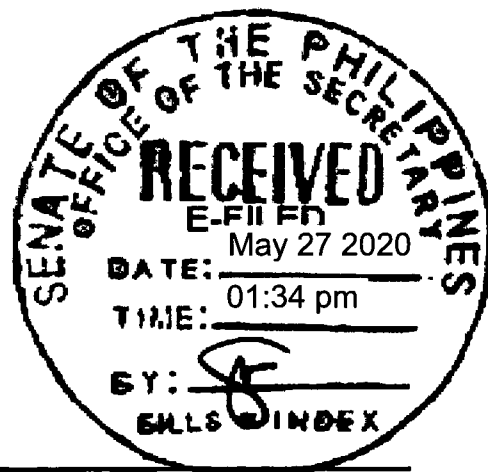
Ilocos Sur has 547 public schools including five general high schools, one university, one agricultural college and 56 private schools, 16 of which are catholic. Barangay Flora would be an ideal location to create a national high school since it has a sizeable number of students within the surrounding communities.

This bill seeks to establish the Flora National High School in the Municipality of Sto. Domingo. This would make education more accessible to the people of Barangay Flora and its surrounding communities.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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

1           **Section 1.** *Creation of National High School.* – There shall be established,  
2 under the supervision and control of the Department of Education, a National High  
3 School to be known as the Flora National High School located at Barangay Flora in the  
4 Municipality of Sto. Domingo, Ilocos Sur.

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6           **Section 2.** *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately  
7 include in the Department’s program the operationalization of the Flora National High  
8 School, thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school  
9 shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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11           **Section 3.** *Implementation.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue the rules  
12 and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this act.

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14           **Section.** *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect thirty (30) days from the date  
15 of publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*