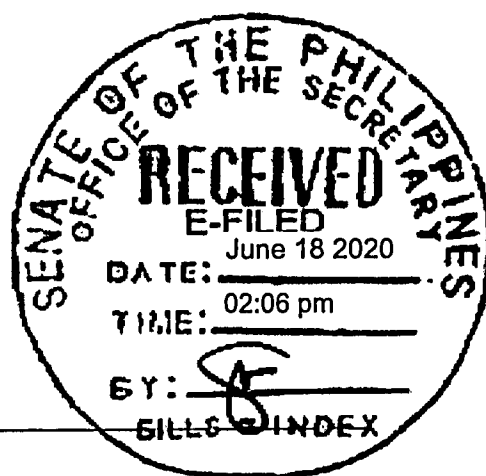


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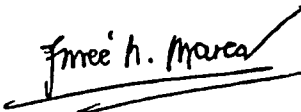
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. It is the policy of the state to ensure that all communities have access to quality and accessible healthcare.

The East Avenue Medical Center offers medical and health care services to the residents of the municipality and its neighboring communities. About 90% of the hospital's clientele are indigents coming from various districts in Metro Manila and other neighboring provinces. With increased number of patients it offers its services to every day coupled with limited facilities and medical professionals, the hospital finds it difficult to deliver immediate care without compromising quality. Hospital management hopes to further expand and modernize their facilities and services to cater to more patients in need.

Thus, this bill seeks to increase bed capacity of the East Avenue Medical Center from 600 bed capacity to 1,000 beds and to upgrade the in order to accommodate the constant increase of patients from all over the South of Metro Manila and its nearby cities and municipalities.

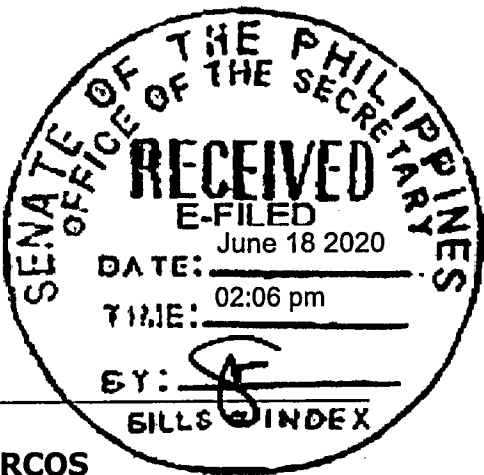
In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 Section 1. The authorized bed capacity of the East Avenue Medical Center is
2 hereby increased from two hundred (200) beds to five hundred (500) beds.

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4 Section 2. The existing hospital facilities, professional health care services and
5 health human resource of the East Avenue Medical Center are hereby upgraded to
6 adhere to the augmentation in its bed capacity. The Department of Health, the Civil
7 Service Commission, and the EAMC shall identify the facility needs and its operational
8 requirement distinguishing the supplemental *plantilla* positions.

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10 Section 3. The existing workforce of East Avenue Medical Center, which include
11 doctors, nurses and support personnel, shall also be correspondingly increased. The
12 Department of Health, in coordination with the Department of Budget and
13 Management (DBM) and the Civil Service Commission (CSC), after consultation with
14 the Chief of East Avenue Medical Center, determine the additional new positions to be
15 created and filled up.

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17 Section 4. The increase in the bed capacity of the East Avenue Medical Center
18 shall be implemented for a period of not more than one (1) year from the approval of
19 this Act.

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21 Section 5. The Department of Health, in coordination with the DBM, CSC and
22 the East Avenue Medical Center Management, shall within ninety (90) days from the
23 effectivity of this Act, promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to effectively
24 implement the provisions of this Act.

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26 Section 6. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the program of
27 the Department of Health the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall
28 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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2 Section 7. If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or
3 invalid, the remainder of this Act or any provisions hereof not affected thereby shall
4 continue to be in force and effect.

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6 Section 8. Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of
7 instruction, rule or regulation inconsistent or contrary to the provisions of this Act is
8 hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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10 Section 9. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its complete
11 publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,