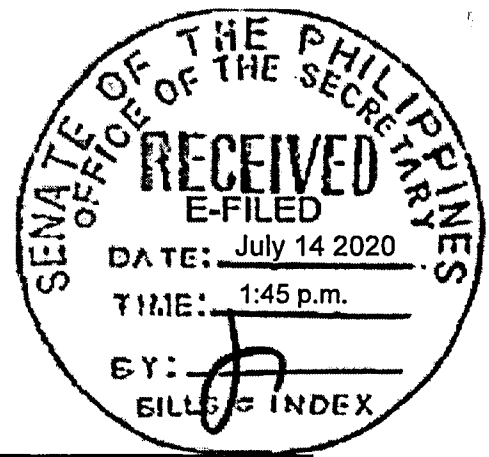


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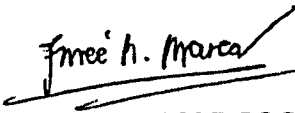
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that, "*The State shall protect and promote 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 Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro Sr. Medical Center (MHARSMC) is a 500-bed capacity medical center which provides preventive, curative, rehabilitative and training medical services to the residents of the Province of Misamis Occidental. It is also the referral and affiliating hospital of the Province of Misamis Occidental and its neighboring provinces of Zamboanga del Norte, Zamboanga del Sur, Lanao de Norte, and Lanao del Sur. Over the years, MHARSMC has been plagued by problems of lack of beds to cater the increasing population of the Province of Misamis Occidental. The current number of bed capacity of the MHARSMC is no longer sufficient to accommodate its patients comfortably.

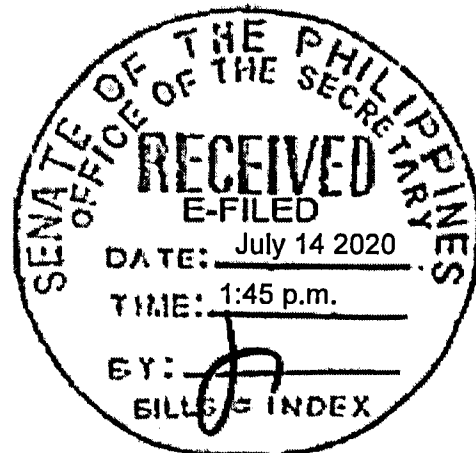
This bill therefore seeks to increase the bed capacity of MHARSMC from Five hundred (500) to One thousand (1000) beds, upgrade its professional health care services and facilities. Moreover, this will address the medical needs of the people of Misamis Occidental and its neighboring provinces. It would also enable them to access world class tertiary health care and other medical services pursuant to the mandate of the State.

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


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

1 SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro Sr.
2 Medical Center (MHARSMC) in the Province of Misamis Occidental is hereby increased
3 from five hundred (500) to one thousand (1,000) beds. Any future increase in bed
4 capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development plan which shall be
5 prepared by the Medical Center Chief of the MHARSMC to reflect the developmental
6 goals of the hospital, and submitted to the Department of Health (DOH).

7 SEC. 2. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the
8 MHARSMC are also hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the
9 increase in bed capacity as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

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

16 SEC. 4. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the program of the
17 DOH the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the
18 annual General Appropriations Act.

1 SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the Secretary of
2 Health, in consultation with the Secretary of the DBM, shall promulgate the necessary
3 rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

4 SEC. 6. If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the
5 remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

6 SEC. 7. Republic Act No. 10865, otherwise known as the "Mayor Hilarion A.
7 Ramiro Sr. Medical Center Act", is hereby amended, and all laws, rules and regulations
8 which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified
9 accordingly.

10 SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
11 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,