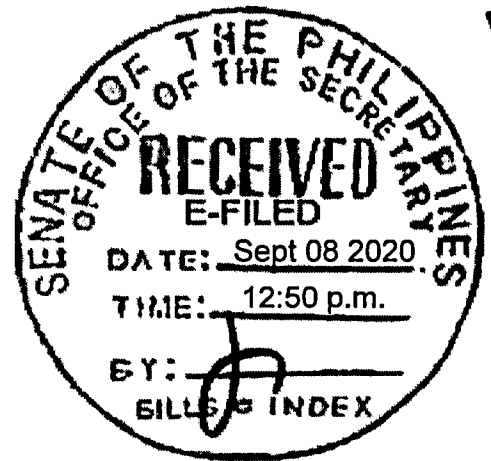


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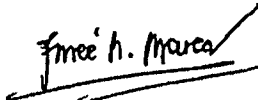
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates that, "*The State shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.*" It is mandated by the highest law of the land to ensure that all communities have access to quality and accessible healthcare.

Barangay Lamidan is one of the poorest barangays of the lone district in the Province of Davao Occidental. The major means of livelihood is coconut and kopra as their byproduct. Most of the residents are coconut plantation workers, including their children in order to finance their daily living, thereby depriving children of their educational opportunities. It is not surprising that in their list of priorities if there are any, health is at the bottom but is not totally excluded.

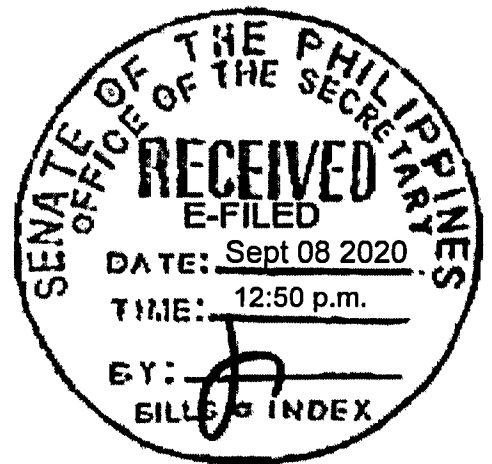
In consonance with the abovementioned provision of the Constitution, this bill seeks to establish of a community hospital in Barangay Lamidan, Municipality of Don Marcelino, Province of Davao Occidental to be known as Lamidan Community Hospital. This will certainly fulfill the healthcare needs of these underprivileged people and it is hoped that their health issues will be properly addressed.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is 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.** There shall be establish a ten (10)-bed capacity community
2 hospital in Barangay Lamidan, Municipality of Don Marcelino, Province of Davao
3 Occidental to be known as Lamidan Community Hospital under the supervision of the
4 Department of Health.

5 **SEC 2.** The amount necessary for the upgrade, including the acquisition of
6 additional medical equipment and facilities and the construction of needed
7 infrastructure shall be charged against the current year's appropriations and
8 thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued operations shall be
9 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

10 **SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
11 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,