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CONVERTING THE STO. TOMAS INFIRMARY HOSPITAL IN THE
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MEMORIAL GENERAL HOSPITAL – STO TOMAS ANNEX, AND
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution provides for the state policy of protecting and promoting the right to health of the people and the mission of instilling health consciousness among them. In consonance with this policy, it is the mandate of the government to ensure access to quality healthcare for all, especially in the countryside where hospitals and healthcare institutions are relatively few.

Guided by this constitutional duty, this bill seeks to convert the existing Sto. Tomas Infirmary Hospital located in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Pampanga into an annex of the Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga. The converted facility shall then be known as the Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital – Sto. Tomas Annex Hospital. The conversion will provide the necessary buildable space for the expansion or extension of Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital to be able to cater to and serve more patients, particularly those coming from the eastern portion of Pampanga.

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


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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 Sto. Tomas Infirmary Hospital in the Municipality of Sto. Tomas,
2 Province of Pampanga is hereby converted into an annex of the Jose B. Lingad
3 Memorial General Hospital in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to be known as
4 the Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital – Sto. Tomas Annex.
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6 Sec. 2. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's
7 programs the implementation of this Act and the operationalization of the Jose B.
8 Lingad Memorial General Hospital – Sto. Tomas Annex, the funding of which shall be
9 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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11 Sec. 3. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of
12 Health shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of
13 this Act.
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1 Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
2 *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.

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4 *Approved,*

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