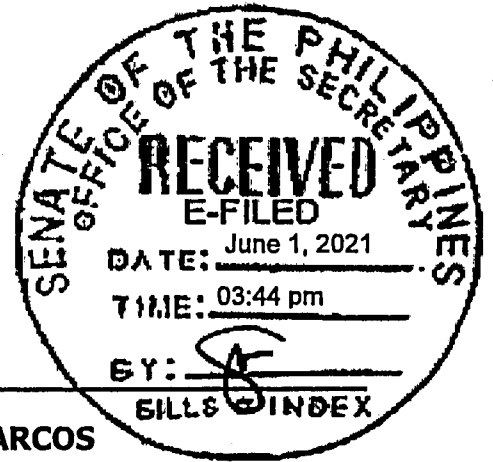


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Introduced by **SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS**

**AN ACT RENAMING THE MUNICIPALITY OF RODRIGUEZ IN THE
PROVINCE OF RIZAL AS THE MUNICIPALITY OF MONTALBAN**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Municipality of Rodriguez is formerly known and still commonly known as Montalban. According to the 2015 census, it has a population of 369,222 people making it as the most populous municipality in the country. It has been nearly four decades since the Municipality of Montalban was renamed as the Municipality of Rodriguez. However, the majority of Montalban's constituents are proud to call themselves as residents of Montalban. In fact, many residents of the area are not familiar with the official name "Rodriguez." Moreover, even the commuters and drivers give directions and refer to signs that read "Montalban," since many do not recognize "Rodriguez" when such name is used to refer to the place.

It has even become standard practice in the area to mention "Montalban" when referring to "Rodriguez" as a form of clarification. The name "Montalban" has always been associated with the people. Thus, not only is the use of "Montalban" practical, given its widespread use and awareness, but it also provides its people with a sense of pride and connection to the rich history of their land, home, and people.

Hence, this bill seeks to rename the Municipality of "Rodriguez" in the Province of Rizal as the Municipality of "Montalban." This is also in consideration of the strong desire of the people to revert to Montalban.

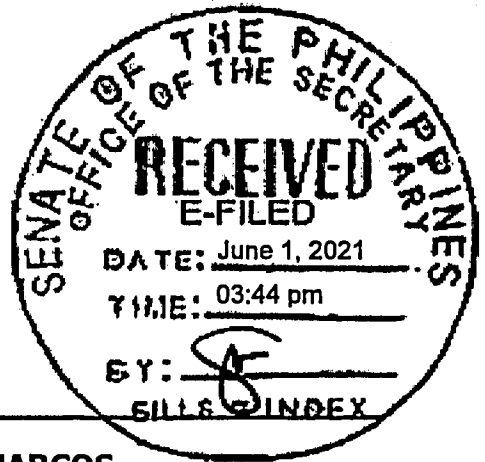
In view of the foregoing, the expeditious passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Municipality of Rodriguez in the Province of Rizal is hereby
2 renamed as the Municipality of Montalban.

3 **SEC. 2.** The renaming of the Municipality of Rodriguez as Municipality of
4 Montalban shall be effective upon ratification of the majority of the votes cast by
5 qualified voters in a plebiscite to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on
6 Elections (COMELEC) in the present Municipality of Rodriguez in compliance with
7 Section 13 (g) of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the Local
8 Government Code of 1991.

9 The expenses for such plebiscite shall be borne by the Municipality of Rodriguez,
10 Province of Rizal.

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

Approved,