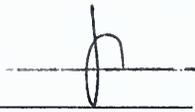


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) is one of the cornerstones of our national security and their camps serve as essential grounds for lodging, personnel training, and strategizing ways to maintain peace and stability for our nation, as well as protecting our territorial integrity. Enhancing the capability of the military to address the internal security threats posed by local and transnational terrorists and criminal groups, and new and emerging security threats, is crucial in ensuring peace and security.

Members of Congress observed that the AFP and the Philippine National Police (PNP) have always scrambled to look for funding specifically for making improvements on their respective camps or headquarters, often seeking support from other agencies or local government units. This is the reason why in the 2020 General Appropriations Act (GAA), Congress allocated the amount of One Billion Pesos (Php 1,000,000,000.00) each to the respective Camp Development Funds of the AFP and PNP.

Aside from providing our uniformed personnel with better facilities to boost their productivity and output performance, investing in infrastructure produces a multiplier effect in terms of generating employment, increasing foreign exchange earnings, and stimulating the local economy, all of which help to alleviate poverty.

This bill is envisioned to provide a five year program to modernize, develop, and upgrade military camps. By ensuring that the AFP has sufficient funding for its programs, including the development of camps and headquarters, we help our soldiers perform and realize their mandate.

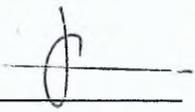
For said reasons, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



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

1 **SECTION 1. SECTION 1. Short Title.** - This Act shall be known as the "AFP
2 *Camp Development Fund Act.*"
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4 **SECTION 2. Appropriations.** - The sum of Five Billion Pesos (Php
5 5,000,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated under the Armed Forces of the Philippines
6 (AFP) out of any funds in the National Treasury of the Philippines not otherwise
7 appropriated, as supplemental appropriations for the FY 2022 Budget. Thereafter, for
8 the next four (4) years, the sum of Five Billion Pesos (Php 5,000,000,000.00) shall be
9 appropriated annually for the Camp Development Fund of the AFP.
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11 **SECTION 3. Camp Development Fund.** - The amount appropriated herein to
12 fund the Camp Development Fund of the AFP shall be used exclusively for a Five Year
13 AFP Camp Development Plan to make improvements on camps and the headquarters
14 of the AFP. This fund shall include spending for facilities including, but not limited to:

- 15 a) Appropriate facilities and equipment for training, such as conference halls,
16 seminar rooms, firing ranges, audio-visual rooms, and the like;
17 b) Sports facilities, health and wellness facilities;
18 c) Facilities for lodging;
19 d) Provision for utilities such as internet connection, internet-abled
20 communication devices, and the like;
21 e) Security facilities and devices, other monitoring devices such as Closed-circuit
22 television (CCTV);
23 f) Such other necessary facilities as determined by the head of the agency.
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25 **SECTION 4. Use and Release of Funds.** - The amount appropriated shall be
26 released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to the AFP in
27 accordance with budgeting, accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.
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29 **SECTION 5. Availability of Appropriations.** - The appropriations authorized
30 in this Act shall be available for release and obligation for the purposes specified from
31 the date of the effectivity of this Act until fully spent.
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1 **SECTION 6. Separability Clause.** – If any part or provision of this Act is
2 declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts hereof not affected thereby shall
3 remain valid.

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5 **SECTION 7. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
6 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,