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AN ACT

CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF MUNTINLUPA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (D) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE **KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED**

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

SECTION 1. Five (5) additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the National 2 Capital Judicial Region are hereby created and stationed in the City of Muntinlupa, 3 Metro Manila.

The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the newly created branches of the Regional Trial Court.

SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the Court's program the operationalization of the additional branches of the Regional Trial Court in the City of Muntinlupa, Metro Manila.

9 **SEC. 3.** The funds necessary for the implementation of this Act, including 10 appropriations for personnel services such as salaries, benefits and emoluments for 11 judges and court personnel, court operations under maintenance and other operating 12 expenses (MOOE), and provisions for Halls of Justice or courtrooms to accommodate 13 judges and court staff, shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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SEC. 4. Section 14 (d) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

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20 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official* 21 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,