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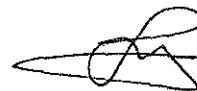
Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution states, "*The state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them,*"

The Municipality of Cordova is a 3rd class municipality belonging to the 6th district of the Province of Cebu. There is no hospital within the town however the Municipal Health Office is there to address health consultations and treatment, immunizations and some minor surgery. The birthing/lying in services are also available in the Municipal Health Office giving assistance to the mothers who will deliver/give birth to their babies.

Like the constituents of most urban areas and other cities in the country, a large majority of the municipality's population consists of minimum wage earners and those barely coming out of the poverty line. Immediate and critical medical attentions are among the concerns that need to be urgently addressed.

The establishment of a public hospital within the Municipality is aimed at easing the plight of indigent constituents of the district when seeking affordable and quality medical care. It is also envisioned to provide them with a medical facility within accessible distance equipped with the basic life-saving equipment and professional expertise.

Hence, the early approval of this measure is earnestly sought.



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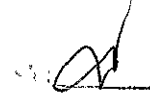
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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TWENTY FIVE (25)-BED HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CORDOVA PROVINCE OF CEBU, TO BE KNOWN AS CORDOVA PUBLIC HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION. 1. There shall be established a twenty five (25)-bed hospital in the Municipality of Cordova, under the supervision of the Department of Health, to be known as the Cordova Public Hospital.

SECTION. 2. The Secretary of Health *and/or* his duly authorized representative, in consultation and coordination with the concerned officials of the Provincial Government of Cebu, shall formulate and promulgate the *implementing* guidelines, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SECTION. 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the operationalization of the Cordova Public Hospital, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

For purposes of this Act, the term "Operationalization" shall include the acquisition of the Land on which the hospital will be established, the construction of the building and other complementary infrastructures and facilities, hospital equipment, as well as the costs for maintenance and personal services.

SECTION. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,