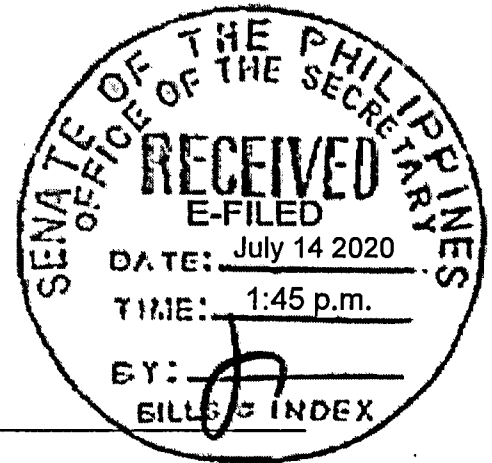


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Introduced by **SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS**

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

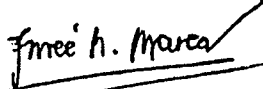
Education is a human right, this is enshrined in Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution, which states that the state shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all. Furthermore, Article II, Section 17 states that the State shall give priority to education.

Pursuant to the aforementioned constitutional mandate, this bill proposes to establish a national high school in Barangay San Juan, Municipality of Rizal, Province of Cagayan, to be known as the Florencio L. Vargas National High School. The establishment of which would ensure that education is made accessible to all.

The municipality of Rizal is a fifth class municipality. It is located 104-kilometers northwest of Tuguegarao City. The most accessible national high schools to the community are Mauanan National High School and Abariongan National High School. The establishment of a national high school in Rizal will greatly benefit three barangays namely, Bural, Masi, and San Juan. This would mean that the students of the municipality of Rizal no longer need to travel far for education.

Thus, it is imperative that a national high school be established to maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education that is relevant to the needs of the people and society. Thus, the establishment of the Florencio L. Vargas National High School is important to ensure that the youth of Cagayan is provided with accessible and quality education.

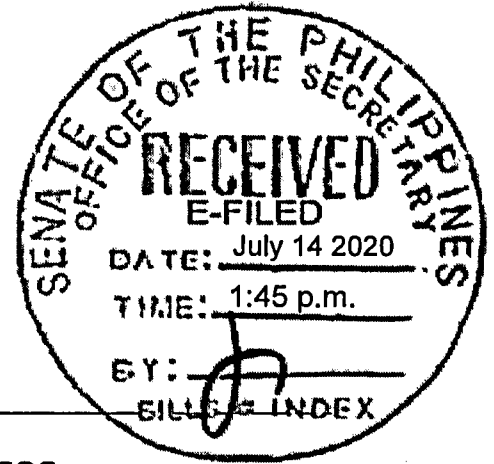
In view of the foregoing, this representation earnestly seeks your support for the approval of this bill.


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

1 **Section 1.** There is hereby established, under the supervision of the
2 Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay San Juan, Municipality of
3 Rizal in the Province of Cagayan, to be known as the Florencio L. Vargas National High
4 School.

5 **Sec. 2.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department
6 of Education's program, the operationalization of the Florencio L. Vargas National High
7 School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations
8 Act.

9 **Sec. 3.** The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as
10 may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

11 **Sec. 4.** All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, or other issuances or
12 parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or
13 modified accordingly.

14 **Sec. 5.** If any portion or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional, the
15 remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and
16 effect.

1 **Sec. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two
2 (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,