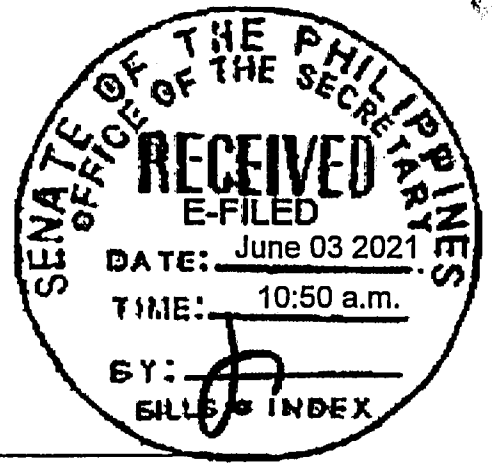


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is enshrined in our Constitution that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. This is further strengthened by Section 11, Article XIII of the Constitution which states:

The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers.

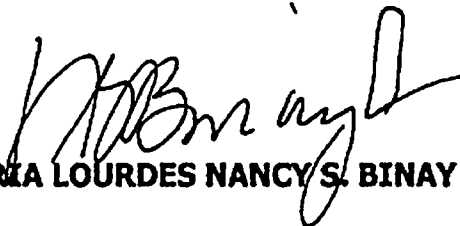
Furthermore, the World Health Organization, declared that the right to health includes access to timely, acceptable and affordable health care of appropriate quality.

The Municipality of Divilacan is situated in Northeastern Isabela. It is a second class municipality and is one of the four (4) coastal municipalities in the Province of Isabela. It is bounded on the north by the town of Maconacon; on the east, by the vast Philippine Sea; on the west, by the towns of Tumauini and Ilagan; and on the south, by the town of Palanan. The Divilacan Rural Health Unit is the only health facility that provides health services to its five thousand six hundred eighty-seven population (5,687). There is a need to establish its own hospital since the only nearest hospital available to the people takes three (3) hours travel by sea to reach. The establishment of the proposed hospital will cater to

the health needs of the residents of Divilacan and the nearby town of Maconacon.

This bill seeks to establish a one hundred bed in the Municipality of Divilacan to be known as Divilacan-Milagros Albano District Satellite Hospital.

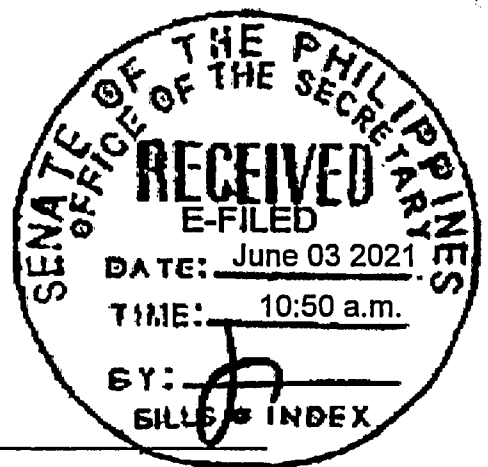
With the declared policy of the State to promote the right to health of every Filipinos, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



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

Section 1. There shall be established a one hundred (100) bed capacity hospital in Barangay Dimapula, Divilacan, Province of Isabela, in accordance with the standards of the Department of Health to be known as the Divilacan-Milagros Albano District Satellite Hospital.

Section 2. The Secretary of Health shall promulgate the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposed of this Act within sixty (60) days from effectivity.

Section 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be charged against the succeeding year's appropriation of the DOH and thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued operations shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 4. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,