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EXPLANATORY NOTE

There is perhaps no other town, municipality, or city in the Philippines that can be associated with the country's great patriots and heroes more than the City of Malolos, capital of the short-lived First Philippine Republic. Such names as General Emilio Aguinaldo, Pedro A. Paterno, Dr. Jose P. Rizal and the del Pilars- Marcelo, Pio, and Gregorio, Apolinario Mabini, Antonio Luna, Felipe Calderon, and a host of other Philippine heroes, are forever enshrined in the annals of Philippine history, all of whom share one commonality – the City of Malolos.

Through the years, the City of Malolos has grown and developed from a mere municipality to a key component city of Bulacan province. Being the known capital of Bulacan, the City of Malolos has a population of some 255,000 Bulakeños and has greatly progressed and developed as a local economy with major industries like agriculture, real estate, bag making, flowers and ornamental plants, food and food processing, garments, gifts, house ware and decors.

It cannot be doubted that the City of Malolos is in itself a strong political unit with a booming local economy. The City of Malolos, therefore, deserves to have its own separate congressional district to further sustain its continuing growth and development. This historic, bustling, and progressive city deserves an era of political and economic peace, independence, and prosperity, which can only take place if the City of Malolos is converted into a separate congressional district, having its own representative to congress who would advance its political and economic welfare in the national stage.

Ang Malolos, mula noon hanggang ngayon, ay simbolo ng kadakilaan ng Pilipino, ng kanyang pagmamahal sa kalayaan at giting upang ipagtanggol ito. Nararapat lamang na biyayaan ang Malolos ng sariling distrito upang magampanan nito ang papel bilang kanlungan ng mga bayani at puso ng progresibong lalawigan ng Bulakan.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


M A R Roxas
Senator

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AN ACT
AMENDING SECTION 57 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8754, ENTITLED "AN ACT
CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF MALOLOS, BULACAN PROVINCE INTO A
COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF MALOLOS."

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 57 of Republic Act No. 8754, entitled, "An Act Converting The
2 Municipality of Malolos, Bulacan Province, Into A Component City To Be Known As The
3 City Of Malolos," is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 Section 57. *Representative District* - [Until otherwise provided by law,]
5 [t]The City of Malolos shall [continue to be part of the First Congressional
6 District of Bulacan Province] HAVE ITS OWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT,
7 TO BE KNOWN AS THE LONE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY
8 OF MALOLOS, TO COMMENCE IN THE NEXT NATIONAL ELECTIONS
9 AFTER THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT.

10 SECTION 2. *Separability Clause*. - Any portion of this Act that may be declared
11 unconstitutional or invalid shall not have the effect of nullifying other portions hereof as
12 long as such remaining portions can still subsist and be given effect in their entirety.

13 SECTION 3. *Repealing Clause*. - All laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations and
14 administrative regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or
15 modified accordingly.

1 SECTION 4. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect immediately after its
2 publication in at least two national papers of general circulation.

Approved,