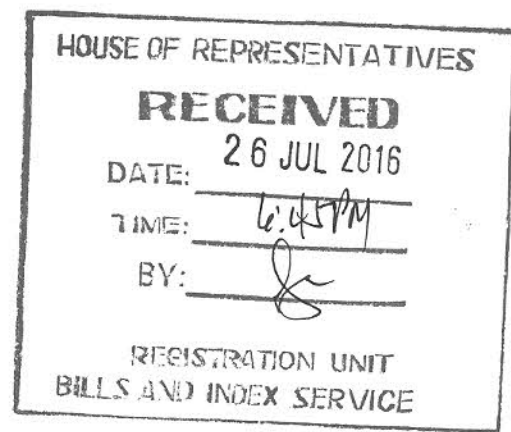


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EXPLANATORY NOTE


Provision for sufficient, adequate and competent medical services to the people is a significant role of hospitals and medical or health institutions. It is a reality that private hospitals charge fees that most of the Filipinos cannot afford. Thus, they resort to government medical institutions for medical services.

The 1987 Constitution, particularly Article XIII, Section 11 provides:

“Section 11. 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. X x x”

On the basis of this constitutional mandate, public hospitals were created by law to answer the call of the general public for their health care needs. In Pasig City, Rizal Medical Center was established as a government hospital. It presently can accommodate a total of 300 bed capacity. Considering that there are 30 barangays in Pasig City with a total population of 669,773 (as of 01 May 2010, per *Philippine Statistics Authority*¹), increasing the bed capacity from 300 to five hundred (500) bed capacity is needed and essential to fulfill the health care needs of the people of Pasig City.

Hence, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought for.


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¹ <http://www.nscb.gov.ph/activestats/psgc/municipality.asp?muncode=137403000®code=13&provcode=74>

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**AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF RIZAL MEDICAL CENTER IN PASIG CITY
FROM THREE HUNDRED (300) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of Rizal Medical Center (RMC) in Pasig City is hereby upgraded from three hundred (300) to five hundred (500) beds.

SEC. 2. The increase in bed capacity of Rizal Medical Center (RMC) from three hundred (300) to five hundred (500) beds shall be implemented for a period of not more than three (3) years from the approval of this Act. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs said implementation, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,