EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Navotas Fish Port Complex, the largest in Southeast Asia, is the premier fish center of the Philippines. After over 40 years since its inauguration in 1976, nevertheless, its facilities now truly require rehabilitation and upgrading.

This measure mandates the much-needed improvement, rehabilitation, modernization of the Navotas Fish Port Complex. The measure is aimed at improving the capacity and the services of the First Port in order to meet requirements of the Philippine fishing industry, thereby continually benefitting the economy and the people, and promoting the security and stability of our domestic food supply.

The passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 875

INTRODUCED BY REP. JOHN REYNALD M. TIANGCO

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT, REHABILITATION, AND MODERNIZATION OF THE NAVOTAS FISH PORT COMPLEX

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

Section 1. To improve its facilities and services, and continually meet the requirements of the Philippine fishing industry, the Navotas Fish Port Complex shall be improved, rehabilitated, and modernized. The Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) is mandated to carry out the implementation of this Act.

Section 2. The Department of Agriculture shall include in the National Government annual budget of expenditures the necessary funds for the improvement, rehabilitation, and modernization of the Navotas Fish Port Complex based on a study and development plan to be carried out by the PFDA for the implementation of this Act.

Section 4. The improvement, rehabilitation, and modernization of the Navotas Fish Port Complex shall be fully completed within five (5) years from the effectivity of this Act.

Section 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen days (15) after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,