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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MARINDUQUE SPORTS ACADEMY AND TRAINING CENTER IN BARANGAY BALIIS, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. CRUZ IN THE PROVINCE OF MARINDUQUE"

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

As enunciated in Section 13 of Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, “[t]he State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.”

The 1987 Constitution also mentioned in Article II, Section 17 that “[t]he State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development.”

Thus, the State is mandated to “promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competition, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry.”

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1 The 1987 Philippine Constitution, Article XIV, Section 19 (1).
Thus, the establishment of a Sports Academy and Training Center in the Province of Marinduque is sought after. Many communities in the Province of Marinduque will be rewarded from the creation of this Sports Academy and Training Center as it will help the locals to enjoy the benefits of sports. Moreover, young individuals which manifest potential to be great athletes will be given the appropriate training and rearing.

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

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established in Barangay Baliis, Municipality of Sta. Cruz, Province of Marinduque, a sports academy and training center to be known as the "Marinduque Sports Academy and Training Center." It shall be located in Barangay Baliis, and constituted as the primary sports development and training center for the whole Province of Marinduque.

SECTION 2. The Provincial Government of Marinduque, in coordination with the Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz and the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), shall take the necessary steps to integrate the existing sports facilities, equipment and personnel in the province, into the newly-created sports training center.

The Provincial Government of Marinduque, in coordination with the Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz and the PSC, shall create the necessary training programs, appropriate tournaments and competitions, as well as the system by which the facilities shall be maintained and managed in order to accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Act.
SECTION 3. The construction, establishment and operation of the Marinduque Sports Academy and Training Center shall be funded by the Provincial Government of Marinduque, the Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz, and with such funds as may be granted by the PSC, and by the Office of the President. In addition, grants and endowments intended for sports development may be obtained from local or foreign sources.

SECTION 4. The Provincial Government of Marinduque, in coordination with the Municipal Government of Sta. Cruz, the PSC, and other concerned stakeholders, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act within ninety (90) days after its enactment into law.

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,