This bill seeks to convert the Milagros Albano District Hospital (MADH) in Cabagan, Province of Isabela into a General and Specialty Hospital (Trauma and Rehabilitation) to be known as the Milagros Albano General and Specialty Hospital (MAGSH) and appropriating funds therefor.

In 1974, the Milagros Albano District Hospital was converted into a fifty (50) bed capacity General Hospital by virtue of Republic Act No. 6566. At present, the Milagros Albano District Hospital still remains to be a fifty (50) bed capacity despite the increase in population in the whole province since 1974. It is a Level I hospital as granted by the DOH Licensing Department and Center of Safety by Phil Health Accreditation. It is the referral hospital for the Isabela North Inter Local Health Zone comprising the municipalities of Cabagan, San Pablo, Tumauini, Sta. Maria, Delfin Albano, Sto. Tomas and the coastal towns of Maconacon and Divilacan. As a core referral hospital, most of the patients require higher level of care than what is provided for by the Rural Health Units (RHU). The MADH caters to eight (8) municipalities with a total population of two hundred twenty-eight thousand one hundred forty-nine (228,149) and to patients with different socio-economic status, ethnicity and health needs. In 2019, a total of two thousand three hundred twenty-five (2,325) patients with wounds and injuries caused by vehicular accidents topped the hospital’s emergency room (ER) consultation followed by infectious diseases and lifestyle related diseases.

In order to make MAGSH a leading provider of quality, safe, accessible and affordable health services and to accommodate more patients, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.
Republic of the Philippines  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City, Metro Manila  

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
Second Regular Session  

HOUSE BILL NO. 7549  

Introduced by Representative ANTONIO ‘TONYPET’ T. ALBANO  

AN ACT  
CONVERTING THE MILAGROS ALBANO DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN CABAGAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA INTO A GENERAL AND SPECIALTY HOSPITAL (TRAUMA AND REHABILITATION) UPGRADING ITS SERVICE FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR  

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

Section 1. The Milagros Albano District Hospital is hereby converted into a General and Specialty Hospital (Trauma and Rehabilitation) to be known as Milagros Albano General and Specialty Hospital (MAGSH);  

Section 2. The authorized bed capacity of Milagros Albano General and Specialty Hospital (MAGSH) in the Province of Isabela is hereby increased from fifty (50) to three hundred (300) beds.  

Section 3. The existing service facilities of the Milagros Albano General and Specialty Hospital are hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity increase as provided for in Section 2 hereof. Additional necessary medical, health services and auxiliary personnel shall be recruited to meet the service delivery requirements of the MAGSH as a general and specialty hospital in accordance with the guidelines of the Department of Health.  

Section 4. The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year’s appropriation for the organizational adjustment fund. Thereafter, such sums as necessary for its continued operation shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.  

Section 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspaper of general circulation.  

Approved.