Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 7854

Introduced by HON. JOY MYRA S. TAMBU TING

AN ACT
SEPARATING THE MARCELO GREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (FOURTH ESTATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ANNEX) IN BARANGAY MARCELO GREEN, CITY OF PARANAQUE, FROM THE FOURTH ESTATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MARCELO GREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Philippine Constitution of 1987 Article 14, Sections 1 and 2 (1) states: The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all and Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

This bill seeks to convert the existing Marcelo Green Elementary School (Fourth Estate Elementary School Annex) located in Barangay Marcelo Green, City of Parañaque into an independent elementary school to be known as the Marcelo Green Elementary School.

The said school is located at 37 Dama de Noche St., United Parañaque Subdivision IV Marcelo Green, Parañaque City. This proposed measure aims to to separate the existing Marcelo Green Elementary School from the Fourth Estate Elementary School so that it may improve its services.

This bill is very timely considering the growth in our local population and the need to attend to the education of our youth. Parañaque City’s population grew from almost 450,000 in the year 2000 to more than 665,000 in 2015. In particular, Barangay Marcelo Green, where the high school is located, has doubled its population in the same time span, from about 17,800 in the year 2000 to more than 34,000 in 2015.

A large population means more youth to educate, thus, we are faced with the urgency of this bill and all other bills which seek to devote more resources to the education of our young people.

The present situation of Marcelo Green Elementary School being a mere annex of Fourth Estate Elementary School cannot continue as it unduly limits and restricts the funds which are available for the education of thousands of our students. An increase and prioritization in the
Allotment of funds from the government will enable the school to accept and absorb more students and will greatly help to ensure that the growing needs of the community will be met.

Once passed into law, the people of Marcelo Green and Parañaque City will forever be grateful to this honorable committee for prioritizing the education of our youth.

On behalf of the people of Parañaque City's Second District, and for the common good of the Filipino people, the approval of the said measure is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. Conversion into an Elementary School. The Marcelo Green Elementary School (Fourth Estate Elementary School Annex) in Barangay Marcelo Green, City of Parañaque is hereby separated from the Fourth Estate Elementary School and converted into an independent elementary school to be known as Marcelo Green Elementary School.

SECTION 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Marcelo Green Elementary School (Fourth Estate Elementary School Annex) are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Marcelo Green Elementary School.

SECTION 3. Appropriation. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Marcelo Green Elementary School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Marcelo Green Elementary School (Fourth Estate Elementary School Annex). Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. Implementation. The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,