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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 538

Submitted by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations on 12 DEC 2017
Re : House Bill No. 6796
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1407
Sponsors : Representatives Lucy Torres-Gomez, Karlo Alexei B. Nograles and Erlpe John 'Ping' Amante

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 1407, introduced by Rep. Erlpe John 'Ping' Amante, entitled:


AN ACT
DECLARING THE MAPASO HOT AND COLD SPRINGS LOCATED IN BARANGAY LA PAZ, MUNICIPALITY OF SANTIAGO, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL NORTE AS A PRIORITY TOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF


have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 6796, entitled:

AN ACT
DECLARING THE MAPASO HOT AND COLD SPRINGS LOCATED IN BARANGAY LA PAZ, MUNICIPALITY OF SANTIAGO, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL NORTE A PRIORITY TOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 1407 with Representatives Erlpe John 'Ping' Amante and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


REP. KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations


REP. LUCY TORRES-GOMEZ
Chairperson
Committee on Tourism

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. **6796**

**Introduced by Representatives Erlpe John “Ping” Amante and
Karlo Alexei B. Nograles**

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BARANGAY LA PAZ, MUNICIPALITY OF SANTIAGO, PROVINCE OF
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in session assembled:

1 **SECTION 1.** The Mapaso Hot and Cold Springs located in Barangay La Paz,
2 Municipality of Santiago, Province of Agusan del Norte is hereby declared a priority
3 tourist development site. As such, the Department of Tourism (DOT) shall
4 incorporate this in the National Tourism Development Plan.

5 **Sec. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in
6 coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA),
7 shall prepare a tourism development plan for the area that will ensure its viability and
8 sustainability, and shall undertake the implementation of said plan.

9 **Sec. 3.** The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department’s program
10 the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual
11 General Appropriations Act and from internally-generated funds of the DOT.

12 **Sec. 4.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOT shall
13 issue the necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

1 **Sec. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
2 Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

3 Approved,