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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that, "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them."

Furthermore, Section 11, Article XIII affirms that, "The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers."

Indeed, health care shall be given priority by the government in terms of providing basic services to the people.

Panabo City in the Province of Davao Del Norte, is a third class city with an estimated population of 185,000 people. Currently, there is no public hospital in the said city. Hence, it is high time that the Panabo City District Hospital be hereby established to address the health care needs of the residents of Panabo City and nearby cities and municipalities.

The immediate passage of this measure is then earnestly sought.

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A 25-BED CAPACITY DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN PANABO CITY, DAVAO DEL NORTE,
TO BE KNOWN AS THE PANABO CITY DISTRICT HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the direct supervision of the Department of Health, a twenty-five bed capacity district hospital in Panabo City, Davao del Norte, to be known as the Panabo City District Hospital.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be charged against the appropriations authorized for the purpose under the fiscal year 2020 General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the operations and maintenance of the herein hospital shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. Before the construction of the hospital, the Secretary of Health shall issue a written assurance that personnel of the hospital will be appointed and that funds for its maintenance and operations have been appropriated.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,