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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Constitution, Article II, Section 17 states:

“SECTION 17. The State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development.”

Moreover, the same Article, Section 2, paragraphs (1) and (2) provides:

“SECTION 2. The State shall:

1. Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and the society.”

2. Establish and maintain a system of free public education in the elementary and high school levels. xxx”

Education of the citizenry is one of the key elements toward progress. When people are educated, they get more opportunities. They are empowered to help themselves get out of their impoverished lives.

The Municipality of Pandag has eight (8) barangays and is located in the Province of Maguindanao. Based on the 2010 Census, Pandag has a population of thirteen thousand seven hundred ninety five (13,795). Pandag is still poverty-stricken and it is important that the State paves the way for a better Pandag by providing a quality and free education.

This representation truly believes that the establishment of a high school in Pandag will help improve its citizens and bring a brighter future for the youth. The creation of the Bai Babai Mangudadatu Memorial High School in Pandag, Maguindanao will encourage children to go to school and learn what it is needed to survive and succeed in life. Children will no longer need to go to another place just to get an education because a high school will just be within the municipality where they live. This convenience will definitely translate to more children finishing high school and enabling themselves to be better equipped in facing the challenges of life.

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


REP. ZAJID G. MANGUDADATU

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPLAITY OF
PANDAG, PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO TO BE KNOWN AS BAI BABAI
MANGUDADATU MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

Section 1. Establishment of a High School. It is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a high school in the Municipality of Pandag, Province of Maguindanao to be known as Bai Babai Mangudadatu Memorial High School.

Section 2. Appropriations. – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Bai Babai Mangudadatu Memorial High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual Genral Appropriations Act.

Section 3. Implementation. – The Secretray of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Section 4. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette or any newspaper under general circulation.

Approved,