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Introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 11 Article XIII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides 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..."

While there are several private hospitals in Cagayan de Oro City, many patients could not afford to secure medical services from said hospitals. Many of them would go to the government owned Northern Mindanao Medical Center (NMMC). However, there is now an overcrowding of patients in said hospital.

There is therefore a need for a satellite hospital in the 2nd District of Cagayan de Oro City to be located at the center of the district which is Barangay Tablon. This will make medical services available near my constituents and unclog the overcapacity of the NMMC.

In view of the foregoing, immediate passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A FIFTY (50)-BED DISTRICT SATELLITE HOSPITAL OF THE NORTHERN MINDANAO MEDICAL CENTER IN BARANGAY TABLON IN THE SECOND DISTRICT OF CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE BARANGAY TABLON-NORTHERN MINDANAO MEDICAL CENTER DISTRICT SATELLITE HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- **SECTION 1.** There shall be established a fifty (50)-bed district satellite hospital of the Northern Mindanao Medical Center in Barangay Tablon in the Second District of Cagayan De Oro City, under the supervision of the Department of Health to be known as the Barangay Tablon-Northern Mindanao Medical Center District Satellite Hospital.
- **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Health and/or his duly authorized representative, in consultation and coordination with the concerned officials of the city government of Cagayan de Oro, shall formulate and promulgate the implementing guidelines, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.
- **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the operationalization of the Barangay Tablon-Northern Mindanao Medical Center District Satellite Hospital, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
- **SEC.** 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,