# Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Members of the House of Representatives, specifically those who represent legislative districts, have lives that are closely intertwined with their constituents.

Congressmen and Congresswomen are, more often than not, invited to frequent barangay or town fiestas and other events, individual celebrations such as birthdays, baptisms, funerals and weddings.

This proposed measure deals specifically with weddings. Marriage and its importance to nation-building through the establishment of the most basic social unit which is the family, should be promoted and made more accessible.

This proposed measure also aims to provide our constituents with another option for a less expensive, convenient and practical means to enter into marriage.

The approval of this measure is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT GRANTING MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THE AUTHORITY TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE TITLE I, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 7 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

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

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It shall be the policy of the State to promote and recognize marriage and its importance to nation-building through the establishment of the most basic social unit which is the family.

Section 2. Title I, Chapter 1, Article 7 of Executive Order No. 209 shall be read as follows:

Art. 7. Marriage may be solemnized by:

- (1) X X X X X
- (2) X X X X X
- (3) X X X X X
- (4) X X X X X
- (5) X X X X X
- (6) Incumbent Member of the House of Representatives, for constituent or constituents whose official address is within the legislative district of the Representative, within said legislative district;

Section 3. Repealing Clauses. – All laws, executive orders, letters of instructions, rules and regulations and other issuances, or provision thereof, which are inconsistent with the of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 4. Separability Clause. – The provisions of this Act are hereby declared separable. If any provision or portion thereof shall be held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions will remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. Effectivity – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in two (2) national newspaper of general circulation, or in the Official Gazette, whichever comes first.

Approved.