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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Ten (10) – Bed capacity Community Emergency Hospital in the Island Municipality of Pandami, Province of Sulu.

The province of Sulu is composed of over 157 islands and islets. The inhabitants of the small island municipalities have the least amenities in life, particularly concerning health. The nearest government-owned District Hospital is located in the town of Siasi while the Provincial Hospital is in the capital town of Jolo. From Pandami, both hospitals are reachable by sea watercrafts. Many of our constituents in Pandami suffer and die during emergency medical cases. Sulu is classified as among the ten (10) poorest provinces of the Philippines.

In compliance with the mandate of the state to protect and promote the right to health of the citizens, it is necessary to establish a community emergency hospital in the Municipality of Pandami.

Approval of this bill is highly recommended.

MUNIR M. ARBISON

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEN (10) – BED CAPACITY COMMUNITY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PANDAMI, RPOVINCE OF SULU, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PANDAMI COMMUNITY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIAITING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the Department of Health, a ten (10)-bed capacity community emergency hospital in the Municipality of Pandami, Province of Sulu, to be known as the Pandami Community Emergency Hospital.

SECTION 2. The Department of Health, in consultation with and coordination with the local government officials concerned, shall promulgate the rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 3. The amount needed for the establishment of the hospital shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following the enactment of this Act into law; thereafter, funds essential for the maintenance and operation of the hospital shall be provided with the provisions of the Local Government Code or the applicable law at the time.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon approval.

Approved.