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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 505

Introduced by **Hon. Arthur "Dodo" Y. Pingoy, Jr., M.D.**

Explanatory Note

Section 1., Article XIV of the Constitution expressly provides that the "State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all".

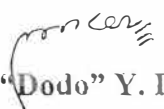
The establishment of new schools, therefore, to meet the demands of a growing student populace is consistent with the duty of the State to establish and maintain a system of free public education in the elementary and high school levels and to assign the highest budgetary priority to education.

This is especially true in the City of Koronadal where despite its burgeoning population and rapid economic growth, the establishment of new public high schools to keep pace with the increasing student populace remains wanting.

This bill therefore proposes to establish a national high school in Barangay Saravia, Koronadal City. Eight elementary schools shall serve as feeders to this proposed high school and will thus ease heavy enrolment rate concentrated in Koronadal National High School which is ten (10) kilometers away from said barangay.

The passage of this measure will not only improve the literacy rate in the area but, more importantly, will accord and broaden educational opportunities of impoverished constituents not only in Bgy. Saravia but as well as those in the adjacent barangays.

Support for this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SARAVIA
IN THE CITY OF KORONADAL, PROVINCE OF SOUTH COTABATO TO BE
KNOWN AS THE SARAVIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 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 national high school in Barangay Saravia, City of Koronadal, Province of South Cotabato to be known as the Saravia National High School.

SECTION 2. The secretary of the Department of Education shall immediately include in its program and issue such rules and regulations for the operationalization of the Saravia National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,