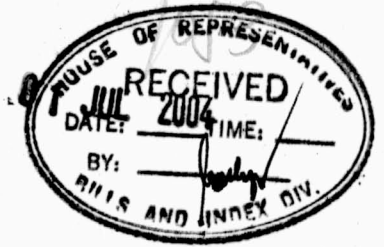


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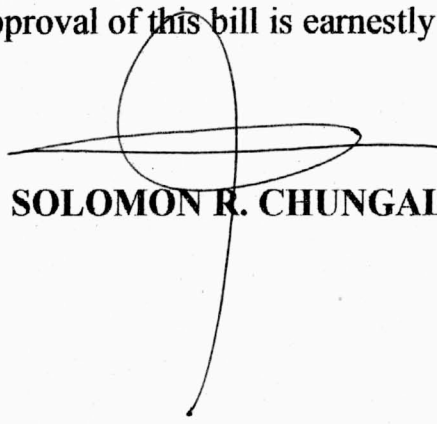
This bill seeks to declare the TAPPIA WATERFALLS located at Barangay Battad, Banaue, Ifugao Province as tourist spot and providing for the development of the same by appropriating funds therefor.

Tappia waterfalls is just beside the world known BATTAD RICE TERRACES, which is part of the Ifugao Rice Terraces better known as the 8th Wonder of the World and a world heritage.

It possesses the allurements of a typical tourist spot with a beauty, which is inherent in its character. Its pool of cool clear waters always lures tourist who comes to visit and see the Battad Rice Terraces. In fact, pictures taken of this majestic waterfall would on its face reveal why the same should be developed and preserved. Words need not be wasted to defend it, as the photographs on the same would be sufficient in the concept of the Latin maxim "Res ipsa loquitur."

Thus, in line with the Province's goal of generating additional resources for its various development undertaking through the sustainable and effective utilization of its resources, this proposed measure is being submitted for consideration. Favorable action on this proposed measure would thus constitute a major contribution to the realization of the long-aspired for full development of the Province of Ifugao.

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


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AN ACT
DECLARING THE TAPPIA WATERFALLS LOCATED IN
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PROVINCE AS TOURISM SPOT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. The TAPPIA WATERFALLS located at Barangay Battad, Banaue, Province of Ifugao is hereby declared a tourist spot.

SECTION 2. The Department of Tourism, in coordination with the Philippine Tourism Authority and other concerned agencies of government shall accord priority development on the same and shall prepare a tourist spot development plan providing for its development and maintenance including such appropriate facilities and infrastructure. Provided, that said development plan shall ensure the preservation of the ecological balance and natural beauty of the area.

SECTION 3. The Department of Tourism shall take immediate steps to implement said development plan and incorporate the same in the department's overall tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

SECTION 4. The Department of Tourism shall likewise promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

SECTION 5. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,