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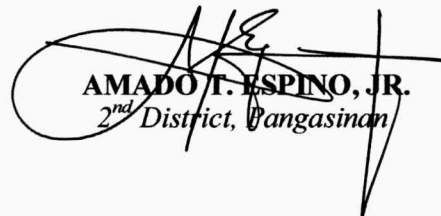
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This measure seeks for the rehabilitation and construction of lateral canals at the Pacalat RIS in the Municipality of Mangatarem in the Second District of Pangasinan. This is needed since the vast farmlands and rice fields in this area depend wholly on the said irrigation system.

The slow development of these agricultural areas owing to lack of an additional irrigation system results in the regression of the economy of the said locality.

Consistent with government's policy to maximize the economic potential of the country's agricultural lands, the early approval of this measure will also give meaning to the Constitutional provision mandating the State to improve the people's quality of life.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**PROVIDING FOR THE REHABILITATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF**  
**LATERAL CANALS OF THE PACALAT RIS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF**  
**MANGATAREM, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, AND APPROPRIATING**  
**FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

SECTION 1. The National Irrigation Administration shall cause the rehabilitation and construction of the lateral canals of the Pacalat RIS in the Municipality of Mangatarem, Province of Pangasinan.

SECTION 2. The amount of Three Million Pesos (P 3,000,000.00) needed to implement this Act shall be appropriated from the allocation of the National Irrigation Administration as embodied in the current General Appropriations Act.

Thereafter, the funds necessary for the maintenance of the said irrigation system shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,