

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 2891



Introduced by Honorable RUY ELIAS C. LOPEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the establishment of the J.V. Ferriols National High School in Barangay Lizada, Toril District, Davao City.

It is the thrust of the government to promote the right of Filipinos to quality education as embodied in the 1987 Philippine Constitution, to wit:

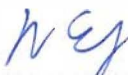
“The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.”(Section 1, Article XIV, The Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, 1987)

The creation of a public high school in Barangay Lizada will significantly and particularly address the problem faced by a majority of the people residing in this barangay, whose meager income from agricultural activities do not suffice to afford the expenses of sending their children to high schools located in downtown Davao City or in other barangays which are several kilometers away.

J.V. Ferriols High School – Dona Carmen Denia National High School Annex has started its operation S.Y. 1999-2000 by the former Barangay Captain Gervacio F. Bajenting Jr. of Brgy. Lizada Initial enrolment was one hundred fifty first year students with four volunteer teachers. As an annex, it received very little support from the mother school usually in the form of office supplies only. The second year was offered the following year with 52% increase in enrollment. Through the help of the PTCA and Local government unit the school was able to acquire a two class room building from the Filipino-Chinese chamber of Commerce and Industry. The third year level was opened during the S.Y. 2002-2003. Since the mother school could not give it a national item the school catered to two sections for both first and second year and one section for third year. In July 2002, the present Officer-in-Charge was assigned to the school. The school now has 7 teachers three are nationally funded while the four are receiving their salaries from the City Government.

The barangay has a population of more or less 12,000 as of today. Livelihood is in the form of fishing, vegetables raising and employment in the private sector. Due to the nature of livelihood in the area majority especially those who are situated along the shore line are living below the poverty line. The area in terms of lot ownership is controlled by only ten percent of the total population. The problems mentioned above often results to the students coming to school without breakfast and some malnutrition cases. These were the findings of the teachers-advisers when they conducted a one-on-one interview with the students. The separation of J.V. Ferriols from its mother school will address the problem of its student's clients residing in the barangay.

With the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT SEPERATING THE J.V. FERRIOLS HIGH SCHOOL – DONA CARMEN
DENIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
IN BARANGAY LIZADA, TORIL DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY, FROM THE DONA
CARMEN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN
INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE J.V.
FERRIOLS 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. The J.V. Ferriols High School – Dona Carmen Denia National High School Annex in Barangay Lizada, Toril District, Davao City, is hereby seperated from the Dona Carmen Denia National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the J.V. Ferriols National High School.

Section 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of the J.V. Ferriols High School – Dona Carmen Denia National High School Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the J.V. Ferriols National High School.

Section 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the J.V. Ferriols National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 4. The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Section 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,