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HOUSE BILL NO. 4247

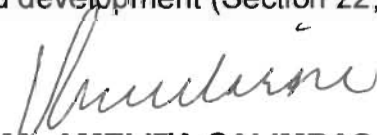
Introduced by HON. MA. AMELITA CALIMBAS-VILLAROSA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to appropriate the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (P1,200,000.00) for the construction of a school building consisting of three classrooms for the Paaralang Elementarya ng mga Katutubong sa Salafay located in Barangay Monteclaro, Municipality of San Jose, Province of Occidental Mindoro.

The said elementary school opened its arms to 69 students from the Mangyan Tribe who enrolled in the first grade for the school year 2004-2005. With the guidance of their teacher, our indigenous brothers and sisters commenced their quest for learning with remarkable passion despite insufficient instructional materials, lack of desks and the absence of a sturdy roof over their heads. They hold classes in a make-shift classroom that they themselves built using light materials such as bamboo and cogon. Nonetheless, their eagerness to learn remains steadfast.

It is in this regard that the approval of this bill is sincerely sought. There is a need to augment the meager budget of the school to encourage its students to continue what they have started and to persuade other members of the indigenous community to enroll as well. This we owe to our indigenous brothers and sisters who deserve utmost care and protection if we are going to be true to the Constitutional mandate for the recognition and promotion of their rights within the framework of national unity and development (Section 22, Art. II).


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AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P1,200,000.00) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL BUILDING FOR THE PAARALANG ELEMENTARYA NG MGA KATUTUBO SA SALAFAY LOCATED IN BARANGAY MONTECLARO, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOSE, PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

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

SECTION 1. The amount of One Million, Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (P1,200,000.00) is hereby appropriated for the construction of a school building consisting of three classrooms for the Paaralang Elementarya ng mga Katutubo sa Salafay located in Barangay Monteclaro, Municipality of San Jose, Province of Occidental Mindoro.

SECTION 2. The necessary funding for the maintenance of the said facility shall henceforth be included in the budget of the Department of Education provided in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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