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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 5803



Introduced by Honorable Roger Gaviola Mercado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The tragic landslide that befell the village of Guinsaugun, Saint Bernard, Southern Leyte has shocked not only the entire country but the rest of the world as well. Rebuilding the lives of the survivors of the said tragic incident can only appease their survival needs. While this gesture might so please the survivors, the longing for their lost loved ones will linger throughout their lives and the generations that will come.

People will always remember that there was once a dynamic village named Guinsaugun that used to stand at the said place but the memory will fade if there will be no reminder of its existence.

It is in this context that the establishment of a museum will do the job of reminding new generations of what happened to the village so that lessons will be learned as to why humans should take care of its environment. In this manner, the probability of another landslide could perhaps be reduced if not totally eliminated.

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

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A MUSEUM FOR GUINSAUGUN, SAINT BERNARD,
SOUTHERN LEYTE LANDSLIDE VICTIMS

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

SECTION 1. A permanent structure shall be built by the appropriate government agency to house a museum in memory of the victims of Guinsaugun, Saint Bernard, Southern Leyte landslide last February 17, 2006 to be located at the site of the said tragic incident.

SECTION 2. Upon completion of the structure, the museum shall be turned over to the National Museum for its administration and upkeep.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary for implementing this Act shall be added to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in at least (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,