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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2230**



Introduced By Honorable **BAI SANDRA SINSUAT A. SEMA**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The Constitution in Section 15 of Article II provides that: *"The State shall protect and advance the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them."* In Section 11, Article XIII, it also mandates that: *"The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers."*

The Province of Maguindanao has 36 municipalities. However, there are only seven (7) hospitals in the province with a total bed capacity of 137 or a ratio of one (1) hospital bed for 6,797 populations. Five (5) of these hospitals are government retained under the IPHO Maguindanao supervision. The table below shows an occupancy rate of 110% for the government retained hospitals.

**Government retained Hospitals in Maguindanao Province**

| Name of Hospital                          | Location          | Bed Capacity | Occupancy Rate (2006) |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Maguindanao Provincial Hospital        | Shariff Aguak     | 50           | 86%                   |
| 2. Buluan District Hospital               | Buluan            | 25           | 83%                   |
| 3. Datu Blah T. Sinsuat District Hospital | North Upi         | 10           | 152%                  |
| 4. Dinaig Municipal Hospital              | Datu Odin Sinsuat | 10           | 117%                  |
| 5. South Upi Municipal Hospital           | South Upi         | 10           | 113%                  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                              |                   | <b>105</b>   | <b>110%</b>           |

At present, there is no existing hospital in the Municipality of Parang. There is a paramount need to build a hospital in the said municipality that will provide the much-needed health care services. With a population of 102,247 and growing, there is a pressing call to establish a hospital or health care facility in the municipality that will provide the community with maternal and child health care, give emergency attention and medication, and make available the required medical treatment upon admission.

Early approval of this bill is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEN-BED CAPACITY DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF PARANG, PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, TO BE  
KNOWN AS THE PARANG DISTRICT HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SEC1. There shall be established, a ten (10)-bed district hospital in the Municipality of Parang, Province of Maguindanao, to be known as the Parang District Hospital.

SEC. 2. The Provincial Government of Maguindanao shall provide funding for the establishment of the Parang District Hospital in the Municipality of Parang. The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department's subsidy program, support for the capital outlay requirements of the said district hospital.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,