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EXPLANATORY NOTE

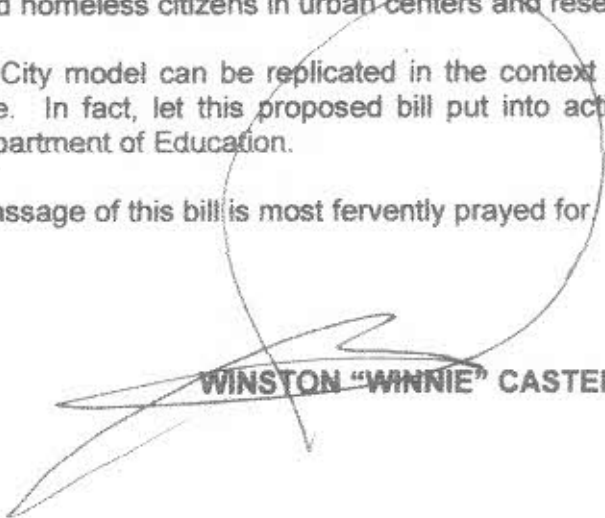
Teachers generally view their profession as noble. They shape the young minds of girls and boys to prepare them for the future and become the catalysts for national development.

Ironically, most teachers in the public school system do not even own much less can truly pay for a housing unit for their own families.

Section 9 of Article XIII of the Constitution aptly stipulates thus, "The State, shall by law, and for the common good, undertake, in cooperation with the private sector, a continuing program of urban land reform and housing which will make available at affordable cost decent housing and basic services to underprivileged and homeless citizens in urban centers and resettlement areas."

The Davao City model can be replicated in the context of this important legislative measure. In fact, let this proposed bill put into action the Pabahay Program of the Department of Education.

The early passage of this bill is most fervently prayed for


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AN ACT
PROVIDING HOUSING UNITS FOR HOMELESS TEACHERS
AS MANDATORY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. There shall be provided, under the supervision of the Department of Education, housing units for homeless teachers in the public school system under a viable housing program created therefor.

SEC. 2. The Department of Education, in collaboration with the National Housing Authority, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations as may be important to implement this Act.

SEC. 3. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged against the appropriations for the Department of Education under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers.

Approved,