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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL No. 4097

Introduced by HONORABLE SCOTT DAVIES S. LANETE, M.D.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

As stated in the 1987 Philippine Constitution, it is the prime duty of the State to 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. It is also its solemn mandate to Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

Education is the primary conduit of knowledge. It is an established fact that most of the country's education greatly rely on public schools due to heavy financial burdens private schools impose. It is a sad reality that lack of schools, buildings, and educational equipment hamper the youth's education, especially those in the Municipality of Palanas, Province of Masbate. The problem of lack of affordable and readily accessible educational programs has continuously persisted despite the State's adoption of various mechanisms to combat such. Hence, one of the major results of lack of education – illiteracy continues to exist like a plague.

As a solution to this predicament, it is essential that the State take a proactive step by establishing a program that would directly accord the people of Palanas immediate access to affordable and quality education. By converting Salvacion High School into a National High School, the people of Palanas will surely be exposed to a better quality of education brought about by additional funding and improvement of educational programs. Only through such solution will the State accord the people of Palanas their right to education. The number of people that will experience quality and satisfactory education will inevitably transform them into gems that will expedite the country's development.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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HOUSE BILL No. **4097**

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**AN ACT CONVERTING SALVACION HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY
SALVACION, MUNICIPALITY OF PALANAS, PROVINCE OF MASBATE
INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SALVACION
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. *Conversion into a National High School* – The Salvacion High School in Barangay Salvacion, Municipality of Palanas, Province of Masbate is hereby converted into a national high school to be known as Salvacion National High School.

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities* – All personnel, assets, liabilities of Salvacion High School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by Salvacion National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriations* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Salvacion National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of Salvacion High School. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. *Implementation* – The Department of Education shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective enforcement of the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 5. *Effectivity Clause* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,