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HOUSE BILL NO. 8367



Introduced by **Honorable Leopoldo N. Bataoil**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

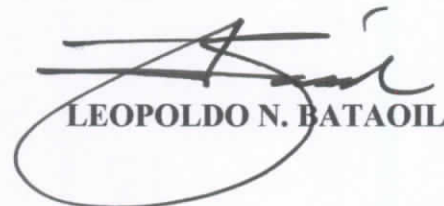
This bill seeks to establish the Fidel V. Ramos Library and Museum and appropriating funds therefor.

Fidel V. Ramos, 12th President of the Philippines, is also a retired general of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and whose life as a public servant cannot be over emphasized. Known as one of the heroes of the 1986 People Power Revolution, FVR, as he is more popularly called, embodies the virtues and inimitable characteristics of a statesman, soldier and citizen.

The role President FVR played in the annals of Philippine history during his service in the military and term as Philippine President and Senior Statesman can be recounted through numerous records, publications, writings, letters and essays, and other materials and objects defining his epoch in Philippine presidential history. His achievements must be properly enshrined and carefully documented for the benefit and knowledge of generations to come. For this purpose, a library dedicated to his honor must be established and located in his hometown or any place significant to him.

The Fidel V. Ramos Library shall be placed under the supervision of the National Library of the Philippines and shall be the sole custodian and repository of all materials and items relating to the former president. If approved, the legacy of former President Ramos will certainly be housed in one establishment where it is kept safe, well-protected and promoted.

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


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**AN ACT
ESTABLISHING THE FIDEL V. RAMOS LIBRARY AND MUSEUM IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND
APPROPRITING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a library and museum in the Municipality of Lingayen, Province of Pangasinan to be known as the Fidel V. Ramos (FVR) Library and Museum. The library shall serve as a repository of printed and recorded materials, memorabilia or other objects and items possessing significant historical and cultural value relating to the presidency of Fidel V. Ramos including letters, memos, or books, hereinafter referred to as the "FVR Presidential Collection".

Sec. 2. The FVR library and museum shall be under the supervision of the National Library of the Philippines.

Sec. 3. The Director of the National Library in coordination with the Director of the National Archives shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this act.

Sec. 4. The amount necessary for the initial operation of the FVR Library and Museum shall be charged to the current annual appropriations of the National Library of the Philippines. Thereafter, such sum as maybe needed for its continuous operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,