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HOUSE BILL NO. **8448**

Introduced by Honorable Roger G. Mercado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

General Ruperto K. Kangleon was the rallying figure of the guerilla movements in Leyte during the Second World War. Without his leadership, the guerilla movement could not have supported the return of Gen. Douglas Mc Arthur in the Philippines and made possible the famous "Leyte Landing". Gen. Kangleon was famous for having sacrificed his family which was captured by the Japanese then to keep the guerilla movements cause alive.

For this reason, the significant contribution of Gen. Kangleon to the liberation of the Philippines during World War II, should be preserved in the halls of history. The best way of preserving the memories of the life of Gen. Kangleon is to established a library and museum in his honor.

Therefore, passage of this bill is hereby being earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING THE RUPERTO K. KANGLEON LIBRARY AND MUSEUM IN MAASIN
CITY, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE

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

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established a library and museum in the City of Maasin,
2 Province of Southern Leyte to be known as the Ruperto K. Kangleon (RKK) Library and
3 Museum. The library shall serve as a repository of printed and recorded materials,
4 memorabilia or other objects and items possessing significant historical and cultural value
5 relating to the life of Ruperto K. Kangleon including letters, memos, or books, hereinafter
6 referred to as Kangleon Collection.

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8 **SECTION 2.** The RKK library and museum shall be under the supervision of the
9 National Library of the Philippines.

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11 **SECTION 3.** The Director of the National Library in coordination with the National
12 Archives shall issue the necessary rules and regulation for the implementation of this Act.

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14 **SECTION 4.** The fund necessary for the operation of the RKK Library and Museum
15 shall be added to the budget of the National Library for inclusion in the annual General
16 Appropriations Act.

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18 **SECTION 5.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

19 Approved,