

NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL No. 3133



**Introduced by REPRESENTATIVES LANI MERCADO-REVILLA,
and BRYAN B. REVILLA**

**AN ACT
SEPARATING THE BACOR NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-TABING DAGAT
ANNEX IN BARANGAY TABING DAGAT, BACOR CITY, CAVITE FROM THE
BACOR NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-MOLINO MAIN CAMPUS, CONVERTING IT
INTO AN INDEPENDENT HIGH SCHOOL WITH FISCAL AUTONOMY
(IMPLEMENTING UNIT) AND RENAMING IT TO PADRE MARIANO GOMES
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Bacoor National High School – Tabing Dagat Annex (BNHS-TDA) is a Junior High School located at 3,411 sq.m. reclaimed area along the bay of Barangay Tabing Dagat, Bacoor City, Cavite. It was established as Bacoor Municipal High School in 1972 through Sangguniang Bayan Ordinansa Bilang 89. Batas Pambansa Bilang 582 converted the school from Bacoor Municipal High School to Bacoor National High School on July 26, 1982. It was the BNHS Main Office until Sangguniang Bayan Resolution Bilang 39, series of 2012 was passed by the City of Bacoor converting the BNHS-Molino Annex to be the BNHS Main Campus. This was approved by the then Department of Education, Culture and Sports Regional Office (RO-IVA) on August 17, 2012.

The City Government of Bacoor, under the leadership of this representation as the then City Mayor, successfully acquired title to the school site of BNHS-TDA through Republic Act No. 10023 or The Free Patent Act 2010. Subsequently, the Local School Board approved the issuance by the City of a deed of usufruct for 50

years in favor of DepED for the free use and fruits of the entire 3,406 sq.m. property, under Original Certificate of Title No. 2022000005, subject to approval of the Sangguniang Panlungsod.

The Department of Education (DepED) issued a policy under DepEd Order No. 40, series of 2014 that it will no longer establish new school annexes and it shall treat all requests for the establishment of new school annexes as a request for establishment of new schools. In short, DepED is more inclined to the independent existence of national public school sites in order that they can have fiscal and administrative autonomy needed for more efficient and effective delivery of its services to the learners. Separation has been defined by D.O.No. 40,s.2014 as the process of detaching an existing school annex from its mother school to become an independent school or an implementing unit with fiscal autonomy.

The Schools Division Superintendent of DepED Bacoor recommended to the City School Board the urgent need to separate BNHS-TDA from BNHS-Molino main located in District 2 of the City, in order that the high school in Barangay Tabing Dagat, District 1 of Bacoor may be allowed to have its own plantilla of positions under DepED, and their very own budget.

This bill also seeks to rename the BNHS-TD, after its conversion into a regular public high school, to PADRE MARIANO GOMES NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (PMGNHS). This proposed name has historical and cultural significance and the name will have a very positive implication to national pride and patriotism.

Padre Mariano Gomes, one of the three martyr priests composing the popular acronym GOMBURZA, was the very first parish priest of the St. Michael Church in Poblacion of Bacoor which is very near the BHNS-TDA school site. The priests Mariano Gomes, Jose Burgos and Jacinto Zamora are the three martyr priests who were executed by the Spanish colonial authorities at the Luneta Park on February 17, 1872. Their execution profoundly influenced our national hero Dr. Jose Rizal who dedicated his novel *El Filibusterismo* to the memory of the GOMBURZA.

The renaming of BNHS-TDA to Padre Mariano Gomes NHS is a fitting tribute to his legacy of patriotism and fear of God which core values are expected to inspire the Bacooreño pupils who will be formed and who will graduate from PMGNHS.

This bill is an integrated version of House Bill Nos. 3095 and 8084 filed in the 18th Congress by Congressman Strike B. Revilla which were pending in the Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

This bill is supported by the City government as shown in *Sangguniang Panlungsod Ordinance No. CO 8-2015, Bacoor Public School Reconstitution Ordinance*, and also more recently under City Resolution No. CR 2020-284.

Considering that BNHS-TD or the would be Padre Mariano Gomes NHS is located within the integrated coastal development zone of the City of Bacoor, such as the ongoing Bacoor Diversion road project, the Bacoor Reclamation and Development Project and the Museo De Bacoor Project, it is very timely that the school become independent and allowed to progress and attain full development and preparedness, which is at par with the progress of its surrounding settlements.

This year 2022 marked the 150th anniversary of the martyrdom of GOMBURZA. Thus, the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.



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

Section 1. The Bacor National High School - Tabing Dagat Annex is hereby separated from Bacor National High School - Molino main, and converted into an independent public secondary school and an implementing unit of the Department of Education (DepED) in the City of Bacor.

Section 2. The Bacor National High School - Tabing Dagat shall henceforth be known as the PADRE MARIANO GOMES NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (PMGNHS), located in Barangay Tabing Dagat, City of Bacor, Province of Cavite.

Sec. 3. All properties, funds, personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of BNHS-Tabing Dagat Annex shall be transferred effectively to the name and custody of Padre Mariano Gomes NHS. This process of turnover shall be led by the School Head and supervised by Schools Division Superintendent (SDS) of DepED Bacor.

Sec. 4. The DepED Bacoor SDS, through the research and planning unit shall assist the PMGNHS administrative team in their evaluation of staffing complement and position requirements in order to determine the required number of teaching and non-teaching positions, and in their planning on the budgetary requirements needed to fully establish the PMGNHS as an independent implementing unit of DepED. These shall be forward to the DepED Central Office and submitted to the DepED Secretary for funding and assistance.

Sec. 5. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary for the full implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the DepED, and in the Special Education Fund (SEF) of the City School Board as applicable. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Sec. 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DepED Secretary shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the full implementation of this Act.

Sec. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision, section, or part of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect, invalidate, or impair the other provisions, sections or parts hereof.

Sec. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – All other laws, rules and regulations, orders, circulars, or issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

Sec. 9. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,