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Quezon City

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. 8198



Introduced by **Representatives**
Robert Raymund M. Estrella & Arthur F. Celeste

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Alaminos, a 4th class component city in the western reaches of Pangasinan has become a bustling center of industry, commerce, and tourism not only in the province, but also in the Ilocos Region. Consequently, the consistent socioeconomic development experienced by the city has brought with it a strain to the government's service delivery capabilities such as with the city's healthcare system.

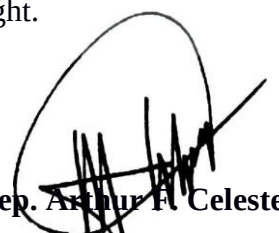
Presently, there exists no Level II hospital in Alaminos and the existing healthcare facilities there are either under-equipped or have been languishing in the same capacity since its establishment. The gradual growth of the city's population coupled with the existing realities of its healthcare system has led to overwhelming and overcrowding of the city's hospitals, as well as that of the entire first congressional district of Pangasinan.

It is also the intention of this representation to improve access to healthcare, especially for those in remote or underserved areas. It is unacceptable that people in the first district must seek healthcare outside their hometowns to obtain adequate treatment for complex diseases or illnesses that they may have. Furthermore, our hope is that the proposed hospital will be able to cater to the specialized needs of Pangasinan's first congressional district, such as cardiac care, cancer treatment, and trauma care, among others.

Considering these factors, it is crucial for the government to address these inadequacies as soon as possible. This proposal seeks to establish a Level II general hospital in Alaminos City, with a capacity of one hundred (100) beds, appropriately named the Alaminos General Hospital.

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


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A GENERAL HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF ALAMINOS, PROVINCE
OF PANGASINAN TO BE KNOWN AS THE ALAMINOS GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** There is hereby established a one hundred (100) bed capacity, Level II general
2 hospital in the City of Alaminos, Province of Pangasinan to be known as the Alaminos General
3 Hospital, which shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Department of Health
4 (DOH).

5 Any future increase in bed capacity and upgrading of healthcare services and facilities shall
6 be consistent with the hospital development plan, which shall be prepared by the DOH to reflect
7 the developmental goals of the hospital.

8 **SEC. 2.** The amount of Nine Hundred Million Pesos (PHP 900,000,000.00) is hereby
9 appropriated for the implementation of this Act, which shall be included and funded under the
10 2024 General Appropriations Act.

11 **SEC. 3.** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Health
12 shall prepare and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this
13 Act, consistent with the hospital development plan.

14 **SEC. 4.** All laws, decrees, executive orders or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions
15 of this Act is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

16 **SEC. 5.** If any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other
17 parts not otherwise affected shall remain in full effect and force.

18 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect within fifteen (15) days following its publication in the
19 Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,