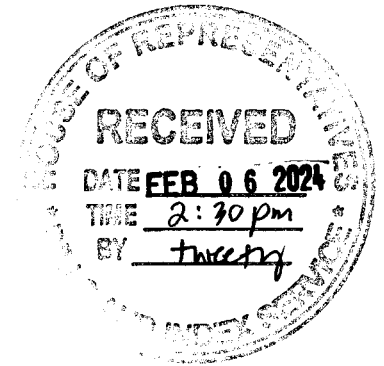




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**RENATIONALIZING THE CAVITE CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH**  
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**PLACING UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Mental health issues have emerged as a significant public health concern in the Philippines where it has already affected millions of Filipinos. Dr. Cornelio Banaag, Jr. highlighted the gravity of the situation by stating that mental illness is becoming one of the most common disabilities in the country, affecting at least 3.6 million Filipinos. Moreover, he emphasized that the ratio of mental health workers to the population stands at 1 to 100,000.

In addition, according to the CALABARZON Regional Development Plan 2023-2028, the Health Facilities and Equipment Enhancement Program (HFEP) of the provincial governments and DOH Region IV-A will continuously increase and improve health facilities and equipment in the region. Among the priority hospitals in the HFEP is the Cavite Center for Mental Health located in Trece Martires, Cavite.

The renationalization of the Cavite Center for Mental Health will significantly contribute to the HFEP's goals by ensuring that it receives adequate support and resources to serve the mental health needs of the people of Cavite effectively. This measure will address the gap in mental health services and will align with the regional efforts to improve the services provided.

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

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**CRISPIN DIEGO "PING" D. REMULLA**



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

1       **SECTION 1.** The Cavite Center for Mental Health in the City of Trece Martires,  
2       Province of Cavite, is hereby renationalized and/or returned to the management, supervision,  
3       and control of the national government, particularly the Department of Health.

4       **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department of Health’s program  
5       the implementation of this Act, existing expenses, and all other expenses hereafter, the funding  
6       of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

7       **SEC. 3.** Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the Secretary of Health,  
8       in consultation with the Provincial Government of Cavite, shall promulgate the necessary rules  
9       and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

10       **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official  
11       Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation

Approved,