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House Bill No. **10877**



Introduced by HON. ALAN "ALDU" R. DUJALI

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This legislative measure seeks to create a Sub-District Engineering Office in the Island Garden City of Samal (IGaCoS), Province of Davao del Norte.

The Province of Davao del Norte initially has one existing Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) District Engineering Office (DEO) located in Tagum City, which caters to the needs of the two legislative districts of the Province. However, due to the high volume of infrastructure projects and programs for both districts being handled by a single District Engineering Office, implementation delays and backlogs are often encountered.

By virtue of RA 12014, otherwise known as, "An Act Creating a District Engineering Office in the Second Legislative District of the Province of Davao del Norte, and Appropriating Funds Therefor", which was approved on August 01, 2024, the establishment of a District Engineering Office in the Municipality of Carmen is currently on the way. Once operational, this Office shall be responsible of the construction and maintenance of the infrastructure projects of the Second Legislative District of Davao del Norte.

A matter of concern is the Island Garden City of Samal (IGaCoS), wherein the island is detached from the mainland, which presents some challenges in the implementation of projects and programs. It is therefore practical to establish a DPWH Sub-District Engineering Office in IGaCoS for a more convenient and efficient delivery of services of the DPWH to the Island.

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

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**AN ACT CREATING A SUB-DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF
SAMAL (IGACOS), PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. A sub-district engineering office of the Department of Public Works and Highways is hereby created and stationed in the Island Garden City of Samal (IGaCoS), and referred to as the Davao del Norte Sub-District Engineering Office.

SEC. 2. The Davao del Norte Sub-District Engineering Office shall serve the Island Garden City of Samal (IGaCoS) in the Second Legislative District of the Province of Davao del Norte.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department’s program the operationalization of the Davao del Norte Sub-District Engineering Office, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,