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HOUSE BILL NO. 826



Introduced by Hon. Julianne L. Baronda

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Under Article XIII, Section 11 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, "The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers."

In this regard, this measure proposes the establishment of the Iloilo City Geriatric Medical Center. A geriatric center will ensure high quality, comprehensive, and accessible healthcare to all Ilonggo senior citizens. This bill is in recognition of the valuable and indispensable role of senior citizens in our communities.

Based on the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jam", which is the signature of Representative Julianne L. Baronda.

Rep. Julianne "Jam" L. Baronda
District Representative
Lone District of Iloilo City

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE ILOILO CITY GERIATRIC MEDICAL CENTER

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

SECTION 1. The Iloilo City Geriatric Medical Center (ICGMC) is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Health.

SECTION 2. The seat of IGMG shall be at Iloilo City.

SECTION 3. The Department of Health (DOH), in coordination with the Civil Service Commission, Department of Budget and Management and DOH Regional Health Office VI, shall promulgate the organizational plan and staffing pattern of the said geriatric medical center.

SECTION 4. The amount of Five Hundred Million Pesos (Php 500,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated for the establishment, initial operation and maintenance of the ICGMC. Thereafter, such amounts as may be necessary for its continued operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.