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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12069]

AN ACT UPGRADING THE DR. CATALINO GALLEGO NAVA PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF JORDAN, PROVINCE OF GUIMARAS, INTO A LEVEL II HOSPITAL, RENAMING IT AS THE DR. CATALINO GALLEGO NAVA MEDICAL CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Provincial Hospital in the Municipality of Jordan, Province of Guimaras is hereby upgraded into a Level II hospital and renamed as the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center.

SEC. 2. The authorized bed capacity of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center shall be increased from twenty-five (25) to two hundred (200) beds. Any future increase in bed capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development plan that shall be prepared

by the Chief of Hospital of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center, and submitted to the Department of Health.

SEC. 3. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center shall also be upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to its upgrading as a Level II Hospital and the increase in bed capacity as provided for in Sections 1 and 2 hereof.

SEC. 4. The existing workforce of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center, which includes doctors, nurses, and support personnel, shall be increased correspondingly.

SEC. 5. The Provincial Government of Guimaras shall provide the necessary funds to cover the maintenance and other operating expenses of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center. It shall also appropriate funds for the additional human resource complement to support the increase in bed capacity and the corresponding upgrading of its service facilities and professional health care services.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department's subsidy program, support for the capital outlay requirements of the Dr. Catalino Gallego Nava Medical Center.

SEC. 7. If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 8. All laws, executive orders, issuances and rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,

FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
President of the Senate

FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ
Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act, which originated in the House of Representatives, was passed by the House of Representatives on August 9, 2023, amended by the Senate of the Philippines on August 12, 2024, and which amendments were concurred in by the House of Representatives on August 21, 2024.

RENATO N. BANTUG JR.
Secretary of the Senate
REGINALD S. VELASCO
Secretary General House of Representatives

Approved: NOV 08 2024


FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR.
President of the Philippines