## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**



My high regard to all of the members of this Honorable Parliament and those in attendance oftoday's session!

It is a great honor and privilege for me to sponsor this Act which seeks your kind approval toupgrade South Upi Municipal Hospital from its present ten (10) bed capacity into licensed or authorized twenty-five (25) bed capacity in accordance with the national standards set by the Bureau of Health Facilities and Services under the Department of Health (DOH).

It is a policy of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao as provided under Section 22, Article IX of RA 11054 otherwise known as the "Organic Law of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao" to provide for a comprehensive and integrated health service delivery for its constituents and establish by law a general hospital system to serve the health requirements of its people and ensure that the individual basic right to life shall be attainable through the prompt intervention of excellent and affordable medical services.

South Upi Municipal Hospital is the only hospital in the Municipality of South Upi Maguindanao. Majority of its clienteles are Indigenous Lambangian and Manobo Dulangan tribes from nearby areas of Maguindanao and Sultan Kudarat Provinces who prefer to be admitted in the facility. The next referral hospital is at Cotabato Regional and Medical Center (CRMC) which is 63 kilometers away and about 2-3 hours ride.

Based on its five (5) years (2016-2020) hospital statistical report, the Bed Occupancy Rate of South Upi Municipal Hospital, a level is at 200% to 361.67%, average 20-36 patients per day. With these statistics, there was overcrowding of patients and more workload on the personnel contributing to mental and physical exhaustion of hospital personnel.

This year, 2021, the Regulations Licensing and Enforcement Cluster of the Ministry of Health, BARMM, an accreditation body issued the hospital, a Level 1 25 bed license because it was able to meet the standards/requirements for such accreditation. However, it needs legal basis for the increase in the authorized bed capacity for the corresponding increase in budget allocation and increase in human resources, hence, this Act.

My dear colleagues, it is morally appropriate and necessary that this Act be approve by this Honorable Parliament in response to the current Covid 19 pandemic.

As representative of the NMIPs to this honorable parliament, I humbly plea for your support and approval to this Act. *Fiyo bagi! MEUYAG!* 

ROMEO C. SALIGA Member of the Parliament

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"AN ACT UPGRADING THE EXISTING SOUTH UPI MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL IN MAGUINDANAO FROM TEN (10)INTO TWENTY-FIVE (25) BED CAPACITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Be it enacted by the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim MindanaoBangsamoro Transition Authority BARMM-BTA) Interim Parliament

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known as the "SOUTH UPI MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL UPGRADE ACT";

**SECTION 2.** *Declaration of Policy.* It is a policy of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao as provided under Section 22, Article IX of RA 11054 otherwise known as the Organic Law of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, to provide for a comprehensive and integrated health service delivery for its constituents and establish by law a general hospital system to serve the health requirements of its people and ensure that the individual basic right to life shall be attainable through the prompt intervention of excellent and affordable medical services;

SECTION 3. Upgrading of South Upi Municipal Hospital. The existing South Upi Municipal Hospital is hereby upgraded from its present ten (10) bed capacity into licensed or authorized twenty-five (25) bed capacity in accordance with the national standards set by the Bureau of Health Facilities and Services under the Department of Health (DOH). The existing building including its landscaping, medical and office equipment and other facilities, its operating funds and personnel are also hereby upgraded to included the needed construction

and procurement thereof in order to meetthe standards to the upgraded 25 bed capacity hospital;

**SECTION 4.** *Integration of the Universal Health Care Program.* The upgrading of the South Upi Municipal Hospital shall integrate into its system of operations all pertinent and relevant provisions under Republic Act No. 11223 otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act;

**SECTION 5.** Administration, Management, and Organization. The South Upi Municipal Hospital shall be under the administrative supervision of the Minister of Health who is hereby authorized to determine and approve the appropriate organizational structure for the management and operations of the hospital;

**SECTION 6.** *Appropriations.* The necessary amount to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the Bangsamoro Appropriation Act. Thereafter, funds necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the hospital shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of the Bangsamoro Appropriations Act and other pertinent laws;

**SECTION 7.** *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* The BARMM MOH shall promulgate the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of this Act within Sixty (60) days after the enactment thereof;

**SECTION 8.** Separability Clause. In the event that any provision of this Act or the application of such provision is declared invalid, the remainder thereof shall not be affected by such declaration;

**SECTION 9.** Repealing Clause. All laws and regulations under the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) government including those passed under the defunct Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) government regarding the operations of the South Upi Municipal Hospital not consistent with this Act are hereby repealed; and

**SECTION 10.** *Effectivity*. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of regional circulation in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region.

Adopted:

HON. ROMEO C. SALIGA Member of the Parliament

HON. RASUL E. ISMAEL Member of the Parliament

HON. SUSANA S. ANAYATIN Member of Parliament