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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8993

BY REPRESENTATIVES DIMAPORO (M.K.) AND SY-ALVARADO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1171

AN ACT DECLARING THE MINDANAO CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUBOD, PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE A SPORTS TOURISM DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Mindanao Civic Center Complex located in the Municipality of Tubod, Province of Lanao del Norte is declared a sports tourism destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and other concerned agencies, subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

SEC. 2. Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) and other concerned agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving the construction, installation and maintenance of

appropriate facilities and infrastructure that shall improve the features of the area thereby ensuring the accessibility and security of tourists: *Provided*, That the said development plan shall be submitted to the Province of Lanao del Norte Tourism Council for approval.

SEC. 3. The DOT and its concerned attached agencies shall take immediate steps to implement a tourism development plan that will suit the needs of the Mindanao Civic Center Complex, and shall incorporate the same in the National Tourism Development Plan.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of the DOT and the Chief Operating Officer of TIEZA shall include in their respective programs the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act and internally generated funds of the DOT.

SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOT, in consultation with the local government unit of Tubod, shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,