[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9240, February 10, 2004]

AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAS PIÑAS DISTRICT HOSPITAL INTO A MEDICAL CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE LAS PIÑAS GENERAL **HOSPITAL AND SATELLITE TRAUMA CENTER AND** APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Las Piñas District Hospital in Las Piñas City is hereby converted into a medical center to be known as the Las Piñas General Hospital and Satellite Trauma Center.

SEC. 2. The bed capacity of the Las Piñas District Hospital shall be increased from fifty (50) to two hundred (200) beds: Provided, That the increase shall be done gradually over a three (3)-year period, starting from the year 2004 until the year 2006: Provided, further, That for every year, fifty (50) beds shall be added to the hospital.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act. The funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,

(Sgd.) JOSE DE VENECIA JR. (Sgd.) FRANKLIN M. DRILON

Speaker of the House of Representatives President of the Senate

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was finally passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on October 21, 2003 and October 14, 2003, respectively.

(Sgd.) ROBERTO P. **NAZARENO**

(Sgd.) OSCAR G. YABES

Secretary General House of Representatives

Secretary of the Senate

Approved: FEB 10 2004

(Sgd.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL - ARROYO

President of the Philippines