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**INTRODUCED BY REP. MAXIMO, JR. Y. DALOG**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides that the state shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make education accessible to all. Section 2 (2) of the same Article, likewise mandates the State to establish and maintain a system of free education in the elementary and high school levels.

Mountain Province is among the least privileged areas in the country in terms of accessibility to education considering its geographic terrain. Children who are very interested to attend formal school sometimes have to walk long distances by climbing mountains and even crossing rivers or creeks just to attend their classes.

Barangay Bacarri has several sitios which are located at far distances from each other. The sitios of Dabburab, Camuan, Makilo, Danggason, and Pandan, the feeder sitios of the proposed school are located invariably from 5-10 kilometers from Dalanao Elementary School, the nearest elementary school in the area. To respond to the increasing number of learners from the said sitios, Dalanao Elementary School in 2016 provided extension classes from Kindergarten to Grade Six at the lot donated by the late Wellie Maclinic in sitio Dabburab, Bacarri, Paracelis.

The establishment of an elementary school catering to the abovementioned sitios will definitely help liberate the residents of barangay Mayag and the neighboring barangays from the shackles of poverty and ignorance by catering to their educational needs.

In view of the foregoing consideration, approval of this earnestly urged.

  
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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN  
BARANGAY BACARRI, MUNICIPALITY OF PARACELIS, MOUNTAIN  
PROVINCE TO BE KNOWN AS WELLIE MACLINIC ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

**Section 1.** There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, an elementary school in Barangay Bacarri, Municipality of Paracelis, Mountain Province to be known as Wellie Maclinic Elementary School.

**Section 2.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Wellie Maclinic Elementary School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**Section 3.** The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act within hundred twenty (120) days after its effectivity.

**Section 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

***Approved,***