

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 8447



Introduced by Representative Stella Luz A. Quimbo

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY FORTUNE, IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, CITY OF MARIKINA, TO BE KNOWN AS LUCIO TAN, JR. HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution states, "The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all." Further, the Constitution also mandates the state to establish and maintain a system of free public education in the elementary and high school levels.

At present, the Fortune Elementary School and the Fortune High School are two of the most congested public schools in the District. In 2019, the combined population of student enrollees in said schools total to more than 5,000 students. This averages to a class size of 80 to 90 students per classroom.

This bill seeks to establish a high school in Barangay Fortune in the Second District of Marikina City to be known as the "Lucio Tan, Jr. High School," named after the generous donor of the school's site. Moreover, the establishment of a high school in Barangay Fortune seeks to lower the average student-classroom ratio, an important factor in developing a classroom environment conducive to learning. This will certainly help improve the quality of education in Marikina City, especially in the high school level.

In view thereof, the expedient approval of this bill is strongly recommended.

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

3 **SECTION. 1. Establishment of a High School.** - There is hereby established, under
4 the supervision of the Department of Education, a high school in Barangay Fortune,
5 in the Second District, City of Marikina, to be known as Lucio Tan, Jr. High School.

6 **SEC. 2. Appropriations.** - The Secretary of the Department of Education shall
7 immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of Lucio
8 Tan, Jr. High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
9 Appropriations Act.

10 **SEC. 3. Implementation.** - The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and
11 regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

12 **SEC. 4. Effectivity Clause.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
13 publication in the Official Gazette.

14 Approved,