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*Introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez*

House Bill No. 427

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Article XIV, Section 19 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that:

The State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry

Involvement in sports is very important for everyone specially the children. It helps in strengthening and toning the muscles and bones in the body. It teaches kids the importance of team works and they learn to work in groups at an early age and hopefully they can use it when they actually start working and start to build relationships.

Also, sports make people mentally strong because it teaches about success and failure which is an important life lesson. It build confidence and enhances the decision making process of individuals.

Aside from these, participating in sports is a very constructive use of time instead of just lounging around which could sometimes leads children and even adults to the use of prohibited drugs.

As such, it is important for a city to have a sports complex where its citizens can actively participate in different sports programs and where they can spend their free time constructively by working out, building relationships and improving one's personal health.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

  
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AN ACT

**AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SPORTS COMPLEX IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

**SECTION 1.** *Declaration of Policy* – It is the policy of the State to promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry

**SEC. 2.** The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is hereby authorized to construct a sports complex in Cagayan de Oro City, consisting of an air-conditioned gymnasium, a basketball court, and training centers for various sports. The sports complex shall have a seating capacity of 10,000 persons

**SEC. 3.** The amount of Five Hundred Million Pesos (Php 500,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the annual budget of the DPWH as provided by the General Appropriations Act.

**SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in any two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,