



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8961

BY REPRESENTATIVES SUAREZ (D.), VILLARAZA-SUAREZ, SUAREZ (A.), ARAGONES, BASCUG,
UY (J.), VIOLAGO, GATO, CABREDO, CELESTE AND SAULOG, PER COMMITTEE REPORT
NO. 835

AN ACT
DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF DOLORES, PROVINCE OF QUEZON,
AS A CENTER OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS, AND A TOURIST
DESTINATION, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Municipality of Dolores, Province of Quezon, is hereby
2 declared a tourist destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the
3 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the
4 development of tourist destinations.

5 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in
6 coordination with the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and other
7 concerned agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan
8 including the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and
9 infrastructure that shall improve the overall feature of the area thereby ensuring the
10 accessibility and security of tourists: *Provided*, That the development plan shall ensure
11 the preservation and conservation of the historic significance of the area.

1 **SEC. 3.** The DOT and its concerned attached agencies shall take immediate steps
2 to implement the tourism development plan that will suit the needs of the Municipality
3 of Dolores and shall incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the
4 ensuing calendar year.

5 **SEC. 4.** The Secretaries of the DOT and DPWH shall include in their respective
6 Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be
7 included in the annual General Appropriations Act and shall augment such allocation with
8 internally generated funds of the DOT.

9 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of
10 the DOT, in consultation with the municipal government of Dolores, shall promulgate the
11 necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

12 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, presidential decrees and
13 other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed
14 repealed or amended accordingly.

15 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
16 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

17 Approved,