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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Navotas City is home to the premier fish center of the Philippines and the largest fish port complex in Southeast Asia where the largest commercial fishing vessels call port and unload a total volume of least 300 tons. Overland vehicles from different provinces in Luzon also bring in additional volume of about 50 tons.

The fish port complex supplies fish and other aquatic products to a major of markets in Metro Manila. It is also an actual business center with markets, ice plants and cold storage, fish processing facilities, canneries, shipbuilding and ship repair facilities, restaurants, fuel depot, gasoline stations and other facilities necessary for the fishery sector.

Several thousands of buyers visit the port on a daily basis. Several thousands more come and go for work at the port and its surrounding establishments and facilities, or for other business activities.

Since Navotas City is one of the most densely populated in Metro Manila, the fact that there continues to be no mass transport system traversing the City grossly exacerbates the vehicular traffic problem in Navotas City and its neighboring jurisdictions.

This measure provides a solution by mandating the extension of the Manila Light Railway Transit System Line 1 from Monumento, Caloocan to Navotas City. Moreover, the measure improves the employment opportunities in other parts of Metro Manila for the residents of Navotas City, and in Navotas City for the residents of the other cities.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT MANDATING EXTENSION OF THE MANILA LIGHT RAILWAY
TRANSIT SYSTEM LINE 1 TO NAVOTAS CITY, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

Section 1. Declaration of Policy – It is hereby declared the policy to attain inclusive growth, promote employment, and reduce poverty through infrastructure development. Towards this end, the State shall providing a sustainable transport system that is safe, efficient, and competitive, and continue to improve and expand the same to achieve complete integration of all its communities.

Section 2. Extension of Railway. – There shall be established an extension of the Manila Light Railway Transit (LRT) System Line 1 from Monumento, Caloocan to Navotas City in accordance with Executive Order No. 603.

Section 3. Appropriations. – The Department of Budget and Management shall include in the National Government annual budget of expenditures the necessary funds to increase the capital of the Light Railway Transit Authority (LRTA), to be determined by a feasibility study for the purpose, and the same amount be made available for use by the LRTA to establish and construct the extension of the LRT System Line 1 mandated in the preceding section.

Section 4. Period of Implementation. – The extension of the LRT System Line 1 mandated in Section 2 hereof shall constructed, established, and made fully operational within three (3) years from the effectivity of this Act.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. – All other laws, decrees, orders, circulars, issuances, rules and regulations and parts thereof which are inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Separability Clause. – If any provision of this Act is subsequently declared unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen days (15) after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Approved,