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HOUSE BILL NO. 6754  

Introduced by Representative ANTONIO 'TONYPET' T. ALBANO  

EXPLANATORY NOTE  

The Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature (Section 16, Article II)

This bill seeks to declare Fuyot Springs National Park in Barangay Sta. Victoria, City of Iligan, Province of Isabela as ecotourism site.

Fuyot Springs National Park was declared as national park for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the Philippines by virtue of Presidential Proclamation No. 327, s. 1938 under the administration of President Manuel L. Quezon. Fuyot Springs National Park contains an area of approximately 819 hectares. It is located six (6) kilometers north of the City of Iligan.

One of the attractions in the park is the Sta. Victoria Caves which has more than twelve (12) caves which are open to the public for spelunking. It has lattices, stalactites and stalagmites. Also found in the park is the Pinjal Falls which can be reached by trekking a pathway of rocks and waterholes. These attractions in the Fuyot Springs Natural Park is perfect for travelers who seek adventure.

The declaration of Fuyot Springs National Park as an ecotourism site will enhance tourism development and promotion program. It will also ensure the protection and preservation of biological diversity. Its development as an ecotourism site will provide economic benefits as it will generate income opportunities for the local people.

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

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AN ACT  
DECLARING FUYOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK IN BARANGAY STA. VICTORIA,  
CITY OF ILAGAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA AN ECO-TOURISM SITE, PROVIDING  
FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR  

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

Section 1. The Fuyot Springs National Park in Barangay Sta. Victoria, City  
of Ilagan, Province of Isabela is hereby declared an ecotourism site. Its development  
shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and shall be subject to the  
rules and regulations governing the development of ecotourism sites.  

Section 2. The Department of Tourism, in accordance with the local  
government units and other concerned agencies of the government shall, within  
one (1) year after the approval of this Act, prepare a development plan involving the  
construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and  
infrastructure as shall enhance tourism in the area; Provided, That said  
development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural  
resources of the area.  

Section 3. The Department of Tourism shall take immediate steps in  
implementing the tourism development plan that will suit the natural  
characteristics of Fuyot Springs Natural Park and shall incorporate the same in its  
overall development plans and programs for national implementation.  

Section 4. It shall also be the responsibility of the DOT to promote Fuyot  
Springs Natural Park as an ecotourism site in all its national, regional, and local  
promotions programs.  

Section 5. The DOT shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations  
for proper implementation of this Act.
Section 6. The Secretary of the Department of Tourism shall include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

Section 7. If any provision of this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 8. All laws, rules, regulations, proclamations, executive orders or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby modified or amended accordingly.

Section 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,