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EXPLANATORY NOTE

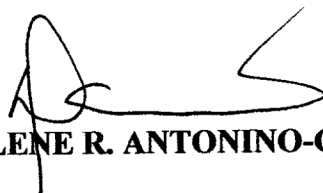
This bill seeks to allot a parcel of land situated in Barangay Tambler, General Santos City, for public, quasi-public and resettlement purposes.

A burgeoning City which has become one of the economic hubs in Southern Mindanao, and more particularly dubbed as the Tuna Capital of the Philippines, General Santos City has been the subject of heavy internal migration for the past several years. People flock to the City in search of employment and golden opportunities, causing the population to swell to a record high of Four hundred eleven thousand eight hundred twenty two (411,822) (May 1, 2000 census). Worst, with a population growth rate of 5.05%, General Santos City has the third highest growth rate in the country (next only to Tawi-tawi and Laguna at 5.53 and 5.45% respectively).

If not properly managed and resolved therefore, the urban migration and the resultant social problems that it breeds will produce problems of unmanageable proportions.

This bill therefore aims to lessen the impact of urban migration and population growth in General Santos as it seeks to set aside a portion of the public domain for public, quasi-public and especially resettlement purposes. Squatter colonies are sprouting like mushrooms in the city. Ideal urban planning demands that residents live in decent and comfortable surroundings. Blight areas are conducive to the commission of crimes, contracting of diseases and do not inspire people to achieve more for a better future.

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


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AN ACT

RESERVING FOR PUBLIC, QUASI-PUBLIC AND RESETTLEMENT PURPOSES A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN LOCATED IN BARANGAY TAMBLER, GENERAL SANTOS CITY, ISLAND OF MINDANAO UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY OF GENERAL SANTOS.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby reserved for public and quasi-public purposes and resettlement purposes, under the administration and management of the City Government of General Santos to be administered following the Urban Development and Housing Act policies and the development plan of the City a certain tract of lands of the public domain under Project No. 21-B, Block-A, Timberland, L.C. No. 1164 containing an area of one million one hundred fifteen thousand six hundred twenty nine (1,115,629) square meters, more or less which more particularly described as follows:

A parcel of land situated in Barangay Tambler, General Santos City, Island of Mindanao;

Bounded on the North by Presidential Proclamation No. 1216 on the East by A or D Project No. 47 per LC No. 3138 on the South by Banwalan Creek; on the West by Presidential Proclamation No. 1216.

Beginning at a point "1" on the plan identified to Corner 1 S28°27'W being N5,900.31 meters from BLBM No. 1, Makar, thence:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

<u>Station</u>	<u>Bearing</u>	<u>Distance (m)</u>
1-2	S46 OOW	85.80

2-3	S47 12W	86.24
3-4	S42 06W	344.60
4-5	S86 07W	119.24
5-6	N84 41W	94.90
6-7	S80 06W	153.42
7-8	S76 49W	131.54
8-9	S76 54W	41.46
9-10	N42 35W	93.68
10-11	S80 20W	173.37
11-12	N06 31W	288.81
12-13	N11 34W	408.58
13-14	S87 20E	492.10M
14-15	N84 45E	317.60
15-16	N50 00E	182.18
16-17	N50 00E	127.88
17-18	N42 35E	314.00
18-19	N77 38E	452.68
19-20	S65 19E	142.00
20-21	N85 41E	259.54
21-22	S51 40W	229.82
22-23	S46 19W	137.00
23-24	S46 19W	108.31
24-25	S46 19W	147.45
25-26	S46 19W	159.70
26-1	S46 15W	373.14 to the

point of beginning containing an area of one million one hundred fifteen thousand six hundred twenty nine (1,115,629) square meters more or less.

SEC. 2. The utilization of the reserved land shall not in any way prejudice the ecological balance in the area, the removal of timber and other forest products therein shall be subject to forest and internal reserve laws and regulations.

SEC. 3. The jurisdiction of the area insofar as the enforcement of environmental and natural resources laws, rules and regulations and other such laws, and the final disposition of the same, if ever allowed by law shall remain with the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

SEC. 4. Twenty meters of both sides of banks of rivers, creeks and natural depression that served as waterways shall be planted with trees and reserved as permanent forest land.

SEC. 5. The final survey and delineation on the ground of the reserved area shall be undertaken by the DENR at the expense of the City Government of General Santos; and

SEC. 6. The disposition of such part or parts of the area herein declared open for disposition which are being used or earmarked for public or quasi-public purposes shall be excluded from such disposition. Except in favor of the government or any of its branches, units or institutions or agencies, lands disposed under this Proclamation shall not be subject to alienation and encumbrances for a term of ten (10) years from the issuance of the Deed of Sale/Conveyance, in the case of sale or execution of Contract. In case of lease, nor shall they become liable to the satisfaction of any debt contracted prior to the expiration of the said period except for housing loan purposes; but improvements on the land may be mortgaged to qualified persons, associations or corporations.

SEC. 7. If any of the provisions of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional any of the provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 8. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations and other issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent hereof, are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

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