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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Since the approval of Republic Act 9740 otherwise known as "*An Act Converting The Municipality Of Biñan In The Province Of Laguna Into A Component City To Be Known As The City Of Biñan*" in October of 2009, the City of Biñan, has grown tremendously in terms of population and income. It has now a population of 283,396 as per the 2010 NSO Population Census and an average gross income of Php1.3 Billion for the last three (3) years. With such a population and notwithstanding the income, the City of Biñan, therefore exceeds the 250,000 population margin for a legislative district and is still included in the First Legislative District of Laguna together with the Municipality of San Pedro and the City of Santa Rosa.

Article VI, Section 3 of the Constitution mandates that each city with a population of at least two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) shall have at least one representative in the House of Representatives. It also further expresses that within three years following the return of every census, Congress shall make reapportionments of legislative districts based on the standards provided in the Constitution.

Hence, this proposed measure seeks to amend certain sections of Republic Act 9740 to cope up with the demands of the present times in terms of better and proper representation and better delivery of social services.

This bill proposes the equal division of the twenty-four (24) barangays of Biñan thereby creating the two districts of the City of Biñan, namely, Biñan East and Biñan West. Consequently, it also amended section 10 of the said law to increase the number of Sangguniang Panlungsod members from ten (10) to twelve (12) ensuring better representation of the constituents of each district in the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Biñan.

Lastly, it amended section 61 of the aforementioned law to constitute the Lone District of the City of Biñan, not only as an implementation of the Constitutional mandate but more so, to ensure better representation of the constituents of the City of Biñan in the House of Representatives.

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



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**AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT 9740
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY
OF BIÑAN IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA INTO A COMPONENT CITY
TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF BIÑAN"**

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Republic Act 9740 otherwise known as "*An Act
Converting the Municipality of Biñan in the Province of Laguna into a Component
City to be Known as the City of Biñan*" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2. The City of Biñan. - The Municipality of Biñan shall be
converted into a component city to be known as the City of Biñan,
hereinafter referred to as the City, which shall comprise the present
territory of the Municipality of Biñan, Province of Laguna[. The
territorial jurisdiction of the City shall be within the present metes and
bounds of the Municipality of Biñan.] **COVERING THE TWENTY
FOUR (24) BARANGAYS OF BOTH BIÑAN EAST, NAMELY:**

- (1) BARANGAY CANLALAY;
- (2) BARANGAY SAN VICENTE;
- (3) BARANGAY STO.DOMINGO;
- (4) BARANGAY SAN JOSE;
- (5) BARANGAY POBLACION;
- (6) BARANGAY DELA PAZ;
- (7) BARANGAY MALABAN;
- (8) BARANGAY CASILE;
- (9) BARANGAY SAN ANTONIO;
- (10) BARANGAY PLATERO;
- (11) BARANGAY STO. NINO; AND

BIÑAN WEST, NAMELY:

- (12) BARANGAY MAMPLASAN;
- (13) BARANGAY GANADO;
- (14) BARANGAY ZAPOTE;
- (15) BARANGAY BUNGAHAN;

- (16) BARANGAY LOMA;
(17) BARANGAY TIMBAO;
(18) BARANGAY MALAMIG;
(19) BARANGAY BINAN;
(20) BARANGAY LANGKIWA;
(21) BARANGAY STO.TOMAS;
(22) BARANGAY SORO-SORO;
(23) BARANGAY TUBIGAN; AND
(24) BARANGAY SAN FRANCISCO

HENCEFORTH, THE CITY OF BIÑAN SHALL BE DEEMED AS DIVIDED INTO TWO (2) DISTRICTS: BIÑAN EAST AND BIÑAN WEST FOR BETTER SUPERVISION AND A MORE EFFICIENT DELIVERY OF SERVICES.

The foregoing provision shall be without prejudice to the resolution by the appropriate agency or forum of any boundary dispute or case involving questions of territorial jurisdiction between the City of Biñan and the adjoining local government unit.: *Provided*, That the territorial jurisdiction of the disputed area or areas shall remain with the local government unit which has existing administrative supervision over said area or areas until the final resolution of the case.

SECTION 2. Section 10 of Republic Act 9740 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 10. Composition. - (a) The sangguniang panlungsod, the legislative body of the City, shall be composed of the city vice mayor as the presiding officer, the [ten (10)] **TWELVE (12)** regular sanggunian members which shall be elected [at large] **EQUALLY FOR EACH TWO DISTRICTS, NAMELY BIÑAN EAST AND BIÑAN WEST**, the president of the city chapter of the liga ng mga barangay, the president of the panlungsod na pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan and the sectoral representatives, as members.

(b) xxxxxxxx.

(c) xxxxxxxx.

SECTION 3. Section 61 of Republic Act 9740 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 61. Representative District. - [Until otherwise provided by law, the City of Biñan shall continue to be a part of the First Congressional District of the Province of Laguna.] **THE CITY OF BIÑAN SHALL HAVE ITS OWN LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WITH THE FIRST REPRESENTATIVE TO BE ELECTED IN THE NEXT NATIONAL ELECTIONS AFTER THE PASSAGE OF THIS ACT.**

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. - All laws, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

1 **SECTION 5. *Effectivity.*** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
2 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,