

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

Sixteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. **5120**



Introduced by Representative Rodolfo C. Fariñas

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to create five barangays from the existing eight sitios in the Municipality of Adams, Province of Ilocos Norte.

In 1983, then President Ferdinand E. Marcos issued Proclamation No. 2289, which converted Adams, among others, from a mere municipal district into a regular municipality. Thirty years had passed but the municipality of Adams is still composed of sitios.

With all the political and economic benefits that can certainly be gained, the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Adams passed the Municipal Resolution No. 04-2014, requesting the representative of the First District of Ilocos Norte, to facilitate or sponsor a bill for the division of the Municipality of Adams into five barangays. Owing to the diverse indigenous cultural communities that inhabit the Municipality of Adams, merging the sitios with common needs and interests and converting them into barangays will help in building self-sufficient entrepreneurial communities that jive with the country's goal towards economic progress.

Section 384 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "*Local Government Code of 1991*," provides that "*As the basic political unit, the barangay serves as the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects, and activities in the community, and as a forum wherein the collective views of the people may be expressed, crystallized and considered, and where disputes may be amicably settled.*"

Further, Section 386 of RA 7160 provides that "*A barangay may be created out of a contiguous territory which has a population of at least two thousand (2,000) inhabitants as certified by the National Statistics Office except in cities and municipalities within Metro Manila and other metropolitan political subdivisions or in highly urbanized cities where such territory shall have a certified population of at least five thousand (5,000) inhabitants: Provided, That the creation thereof shall not reduce the population of the original barangay or barangays to less than the minimum requirement prescribed herein.*

To enhance the delivery of basic services in the indigenous cultural communities, barangays may be created in such communities by an Act of Congress, notwithstanding the above requirement. xxx."
(Underscoring supplied)

A meaningful and genuine local autonomy takes root from the barangay because the direct relationship of the people with the barangay officials, as compared to that with the municipal or provincial chief executives, is contributory to the swift delivery of the people's basic needs and services. The empowerment of the people as catalyst to economic growth and positive change in the country evolves from this level.

The barangay, apart from being the basic political unit, is also the smallest economic engine that contributes to a flourishing national economy. As such, they are authorized to raise revenues through taxes, fees and charges and entitled to an internal revenue allotment share which can be utilized for their development projects.

In view of the foregoing, converting the existing sitios in the Municipality of Adams into barangays will facilitate the realization of the benefits accruing to the barangay. Hence, this bill.


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AN ACT
CREATING FIVE BARANGAYS FROM THE EXISTING EIGHT
SITIOS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ADAMS IN THE
PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE

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

SECTION 1. *Creation of New Barangays.* – The eight (8) sitios in the Municipality of Adams, Province of Ilocos Norte are hereby merged and constituted into five (5) new and independent barangays to be known as follows:

a) *Barangay Adams.* – Sitios Lower Uno and Upper Uno are hereby merged and constituted as Barangay Adams which contains an area of 12, 889, 745 square meters with the following delineations:

FID	Shape	Latitude	Longitude	Corners
0	Point	18.422841	120.865099	MBM 7
1	Point	18.476477	120.899482	MBM 9

2	Point	18.474433	120.875470	MBM 10
3	Point	18.463889	120.911692	Corner 21
4	Point	18.460777	120.911650	Corner 23
5	Point	18.433168	120.869967	MBM 10-A
6	Point	18.483188	120.872403	Corner 1
7	Point	18.479381	120.885014	Corner 2
8	Point	18.476884	120.889297	Corner 3
9	Point	18.476267	120.893580	Corner 4
10	Point	18.473999	120.896873	Corner 5
11	Point	18.476240	120.901700	Corner 6
12	Point	18.470259	120.899541	Corner 7
13	Point	18.468379	120.900890	Corner 8
14	Point	18.466264	120.900038	Corner 9
15	Point	18.483552	120.901340	Corner 10
16	Point	18.459460	120.902748	Corner 11
17	Point	18.451638	120.806894	Corner 12
18	Point	18.491034	120.907431	Corner 13
19	Point	18.480020	120.907773	Corner 14
20	Point	18.460378	120.808788	Corner 15
21	Point	18.481312	120.909725	Corner 16
22	Point	18.460950	120.910077	Corner 17

23	Point	18.460773	120.911029	Corner 18
24	Point	18.461342	120.310457	Corner 19
25	Point	18.463452	120.900988	Corner 20

(b) *Barangay Bugnay.* – Purok 3 is constituted as Barangay Bugnay which contains an area of 17, 923, 906 square meters with the following delineations:

FID	Shape	Latitude	Longitude	Corners
0	Point	18.422841	120.885099	MBM 7
1	Point	18.460777	120.911850	Corner 23
2	Point	18.454811	120.917324	Corner 24
3	Point	18.448337	120.919036	Corner 25
4	Point	18.446278	120.923208	Corner 26
5	Point	18.402347	120.879548	MBM 6-A
6	Point	18.422340	120.900849	Corner 37
7	Point	18.427203	120.904689	Corner 36
8	Point	18.430147	120.914033	Corner 35
9	Point	18.429874	120.918173	Corner 34
10	Point	18.430403	120.919685	Corner 33
11	Point	18.433859	120.917745	Corner 32
12	Point	18.436803	120.912831	Corner 31

13	Point	18.437707	120.912511	Corner 30
14	Point	18.459460	120.902748	Corner 11
15	Point	18.461658	120.906694	Corner 12
16	Point	18.481034	120.907431	Corner 13
17	Point	18.480028	120.907773	Corner 14
18	Point	18.460376	120.908788	Corner 15
19	Point	18.461312	120.909725	Corner 16
20	Point	18.460960	120.910077	Corner 17
21	Point	18.460773	120.911029	Corner 18
22	Point	18.461342	120.910437	Corner 19

c) *Barangay Saplid*. – Purok 2 and Sitio Maligligay are hereby merged and constituted as Barangay Saplid which contains an area of 26, 871, 670 square meters with the following delineations:

FID	Shape	Latitude	Longitude	Corners
0	Point	18.476477	120.899462	MBM 9
1	Point	18.508175	120.853006	MBM 11
2	Point	18.518582	120.917279	MBM 1
3	Point	18.521013	120.917910	MBM 12
4	Point	18.516250	120.928523	MBM 1-A

5	Point	18.477457	120.912140	Corner 22
6	Point	18.453888	120.911892	Corner 21
7	Point	18.453168	120.883987	MBM 10-A
8	Point	18.483168	120.872403	Corner 1
9	Point	18.479361	120.885014	Corner 2
10	Point	18.475554	120.889297	Corner 3
11	Point	18.476267	120.893580	Corner 4
12	Point	18.473888	120.896673	Corner 5
13	Point	18.476240	120.901700	Corner 6
14	Point	18.470269	120.899541	Corner 7
15	Point	18.488379	120.900680	Corner 8
16	Point	18.466284	120.800036	Corner 9
17	Point	18.463582	120.901340	Corner 10
18	Point	18.463462	120.900988	Corner 20

d) *Barangay Malasin.* – Sitios Malaggao and Sinidangan are hereby merged and constituted as Barangay Malasin which contains an area of 34, 336, 451 square meters with the following delineations:

FID	Shape	Latitude	Longitude	Corners
0	Point	18.509282	120.963231	MBM 3

1	Point	18.518260	120.923523	MBM 1-A
2	Point	18.444520	120.954225	MBM 3-A
3	Point	18.441675	120.949538	Corner 29
4	Point	18.442817	120.940737	Corner 28
5	Point	18.435010	120.933123	Corner 27
6	Point	18.477457	120.912140	Corner 22
7	Point	18.463889	120.911692	Corner 21
8	Point	18.460777	120.811650	Corner 23
9	Point	18.454311	120.917324	Corner 24
10	Point	18.448337	120.919036	Corner 25
11	Point	18.445278	120.923203	Corner 26

e) *Barangay Bucarot.* – Sitios Cadisan and Bucarot are hereby merged and constituted as Barangay Bucarot which contains an area of 68, 977, 496 square meters with the following delineations:

FID	Shape	Latitude	Longitude	Corners
0	Point	18.423888	120.951897	MBM 4
1	Point	18.364930	120.985639	MBM 5
2	Point	18.356131	120.941665	MBM 8-A
3	Point	18.351355	120.916051	MBM 6
4	Point	18.444520	120.954225	MBM 3-A

5	Point	18.441875	120.949589	Corner 29
6	Point	18.442817	120.940737	Corner 28
7	Point	18.439010	120.933123	Corner 27
8	Point	18.445278	120.923208	Corner 26
9	Point	18.402347	120.879848	MBM 6-A
10	Point	18.422340	120.900848	Corner 37
11	Point	18.427203	120.904689	Corner 36
12	Point	18.430147	120.914033	Corner 35
13	Point	18.429574	120.918173	Corner 34
14	Point	18.430403	120.919665	Corner 33
15	Point	18.433859	120.917745	Corner 32
16	Point	18.438803	120.912881	Corner 31
17	Point	18.437707	120.912511	Corner 30

SEC. 2. *Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite.* – Pursuant to Section 10 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as the “*Local Government Code of 1991*,” as amended, the new barangays shall be created upon the majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters of the Municipality of Adams, Province of Ilocos Norte in a plebiscite to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

The amount necessary for the conduct of such plebiscite shall be borne by the Municipality of Adams, Province of Ilocos Norte.

SEC. 3. ***Barangay Officials.*** – The first set of officials shall be appointed by the Provincial Governor, in consultation with the Municipal Mayor and the Representative of the First District of Ilocos Norte. They shall hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 4. ***Public Infrastructures and Facilities.*** – All public infrastructure and facilities for public use of the existing sitios at the time of the approval of this Act are hereby transferred without cost or compensation to and shall be administered by the new barangays.

SEC. 5. ***Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.*** – The newly created barangays shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of RA 7160.

SEC. 6. ***Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,