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Introduced by Representative Emi G. Calixto-Rubiano

Explanatory Note

Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991" provides that "A barangay is the basic political unit which 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."

This basic political unit is the bulwark and front-liner in the provision of a wide array of basic services to the citizens and to the whole community as well. The creation of a certain barangay should always be within the ambit of the Constitution and the law – local government code. After compliance with requirements set therein, the creation of a new barangay will usher and strengthen the capabilities of local governments to perform their mandate, duties and responsibilities to deliver the much-needed basic services to their constituents in a more accountable and responsive local government structure.

The 1987 Constitution particularly in Section 6, Article X thereof provides that "Local Government Units shall have a just share, as determined by law, in the national taxes which shall be automatically released to them." It is the humble submission of the undersigned that the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) in the General Appropriations Act enacted yearly by Congress is the "just share" per above constitutional provision that grants meaningful fiscal autonomy to local government units.

Barangay 201, Zone 10, Pasay City was created by City Council of Pasay City via Ordinance No. 831 Series of 1987. Pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code which provides, "That the financial requirements of barangays created by local government units after the effectivity of this code shall be the responsibility of the local government unit concerned". Barangay 201 is one such barangay excluded from a

share in the IRA. Thus, Congressional enactment of the creation of Barangay 201 is sought in order for them to get their share of the Internal Revenue Allotment provided for in the yearly General Appropriations Act.

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



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**AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY 201, ZONE 20,
IN THE CITY OF PASAY, METRO MANILA**

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

Section 1. Creation. – A new barangay is hereby created to be known as Barangay 201, Zone 20, Pasay City.

SEC. 2. Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite. – The plebiscite for the creation of new barangay shall be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) pursuant to compliance with the plebiscite requirement under Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991".

SEC. 3. Barangay Officials. – The incumbent officials of Barangay 201, Zone 20 shall continue to hold office until such time that their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

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

SEC. 5. Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) Shares. – Barangay 201, Zone 20, Pasay City shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code of 1991.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following completion of its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.