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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Mandaue City, created under Republic Act No. 5519, has been declared a highly-urbanized city since 1991 and currently has a total population of 362,654 (as of August 1 2015). It is home to many of the largest companies in the country and hosts the majority of the furniture-industry sector. To date, its population and its economy continue to grow at impressive rates.

As such, the City's people has been clamoring for the creation of their own legislative district so that they may enjoy proper representation in Congress. Indeed, it is high time that we heed their call. This bill, hence, seeks to separate Mandaue City from the 6th legislative district of the Province of Cebu, giving way to the creation of the lone legislative district of Mandaue City.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rodrigo A. Abellanos".

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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE CITY OF MANDAUE FROM THE SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF
THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO CONSTITUTE THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE
CITY OF MANDAUE CITY

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

SECTION 1. *Lone Legislative District.* – The City of Mandaue is hereby separated from the Sixth Legislative District of the Province of Cebu to constitute the Lone Legislative District of the City of Mandaue, which shall commence in the next national election after the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 2. *Incumbent Representative.* – The incumbent representative of the Sixth Legislative District of the Province of Cebu shall continue to represent the said district until the new representative of the Lone Legislative District of the City of Mandaue shall have been elected and qualified.

SEC. 3. *Rules and Regulations.* – The Commission on Elections shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act.

SEC. 4. *Separability Clause.* Should any provision of this Act or any part thereof be declared invalid, the other provisions, so far as they are separable from the invalid ones, shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 5. *Repealing Clause.* Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

SEC. 6. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,