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HOUSE BILL NO. 4736

Introduced by **HONORABLE MELECIO J. YAP, JR.**

EXPLANATORY NOTES

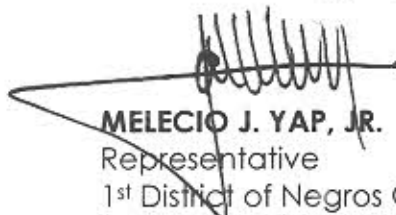
Barangay Balintawak of the City of Escalante, Province of Negros Occidental probably is one among few town centers in the province that is composed only by one (1) barangay. With having vast land area and correspondingly, big population to manage, there is a great challenge for the local authorities to deliver effectively and efficiently various government services.

Barangay Balintawak has a total land area of 720.9231 has. Being composed of 37 sitios and puroks. As it is the city proper, it is considered to be the biggest urban barangay of the city with a total population of 11,534 as per NSO CENSUS 2015. Its annual growth is pegged at 1.43%.

It may be important to note that about 61% of households live below the poverty threshold while about half of all households live below the food threshold.

It is then obvious that the present set up is not capable of fully and effectively delivering all social-services that the government is mandated upon to implement among its constituencies.

Henceforth, immediate approval of this bill is fervently prayed for.


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SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
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AN ACT DIVIDING BARANGAY BALINTAWAK INTO 3 DISTINCT BARANGAYS THEREBY CREATING BARANGAYS TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY BALINTAWAK 1, BALINTAWAK 2 AND BALINTAWAK 3 RESPECTIVELY IN THE CITY OF ESCALANTE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

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

SECTION 1. Creation of Barangays. There is hereby created three (3) distinct barangays to be known as Barangay Balintawak 1, Barangay Balintawak 2 and Barangay Balintawak 3, respectively in the City of Escalante, Province of Negros Occidental.

SECTION 2. Territorial Boundaries. As follows are the composition of the respective barangay, to wit:

(a.) Balintawak 1

Purok

Bagong Buhay 2
Bagong Buhay 1
Everlasting
Camia
Malipayon
Pag-asa
Masanagon
Bagong Silang
Pag-ibig
Maabi-abihon
Greenfield
Urtam

(b.) Balintawak 2

Purok

Palao 1

Palao 2
Mapalaron
Matinud-anon
Malinawon 1
Bagong Lipunan
Gegoncillo
Malinawon 2
Tagumpay
Maki-angayon 1
Sunshine
Maki-angayon 2
Postion of Paglaum
Portion of Antipolo
Portion of Bayong

(c.) Balintawak 3

Purok

Portion of Paglaum
Portion of Antipolo
Portion of Bayong
Nabantu-an Upper
Nabantu-an hills
Nabantu-an 1
Begonia
Waling-waling
Margarita
Azuecena
Gardenia
Sampaguita
Jasmin

SECTION 3. *Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite.* Pursuant to Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the new barangays shall exist upon the majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters of Barangay Balintawak, Escalante City, Negros Occidental in a plebiscite to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in the area affected, within ninety (90) from the effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Barangay Officials.* The first set of officials of the newly created barangays shall be appointed by the City Mayor of

Escalante and shall hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

SECTION 5. *Public Infrastructures and Facilities.* All existing public infrastructures and facilities for public use existing therein at the time of the approval of this Act are hereby transferred without cost or compensation and shall be administered by the new barangay.

SECTION 6. *Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.*Barangay Balintawak 1, Barangay Balintawak 2 and Barangay Balintawak 3 shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

SECTION 7. *Appropriations.* The amount necessary to conduct the plebiscite as provided for under this Act shall be borne by the City of Escalante, Province of Negros Occidental.

SECTION 8. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.