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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This house measure was originally filed in the 18th Congress as House Bill No. 9224 on April 20, 2021. This bill seeks to create a barangay in the Municipality of Alfonso Lista, Province of Ifugao, to be known as Barangay New Poblacion.

RA 7160 otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991", as amended, was enacted precisely to breathe life into the constitutional mandate of local autonomy by establishing a more responsive and accountable local government structure instituted through an efficient system of decentralization. Essentially, this system is geared towards empowering local government units to achieve their full development as self-reliant communities, making them more effective and meaningful partners in the attainment of the nation's goals.

As a basic political unit, the barangay serves as the vanguard of providing a wide array of frontline basic and essential services to the citizens and to the community. It acts 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 as stated under Section 384 of the Local Government Code.

Given this, the creation of barangays, upon proper compliance with the requirements set by the Constitution and the Local Government Code, thus only serves to bolster the capability of local governments to efficiently and effectively perform their respective functions, duties and responsibilities in the name of autonomy, decentralization and national growth and prosperity.

On December 15, 1988, Republic Act No. 6687 was enacted to change the name of the then Municipality of Potia and confirmed barangay Sta. Maria as the seat of the government of the municipality. Consequently, barangay Sta. Maria became the commercial center of the municipality where markets and various businesses enterprises were established. As a result, the population of barangay Sta. Maria rose to 6,087 inhabitants as of July 2020. With this number of citizens, it has been challenging for the barangay to effectively oversee its fiscal administration as far as allocation to basic services is concerned. In this sense, it is now imperative to create a new of barangay out of Sta. Maria to empower both units in order for them to develop into self-reliant communities and effective partner of the national government.

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

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AN ACT
CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY NEW POBLACION IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALFONSO LISTA, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEROF

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

SECTION 1. ***Creation of Barangay New Poblacion.*** – New Poblacion in Barangay Sta. Maria, Municipality of Alfonso Lista, Province of Ifugao is hereby separated from Barangay Sta. Maria and constituted into a distinct and independent barangay to be known as Barangay New Poblacion.

SECTION 2. ***Territorial Boundaries.*** – The territorial boundaries of Barangay New Poblacion are hereby defined in the following technical description:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

Lines		Bearings	Distances	Corner Description
1	2	S 03-01 E	373.84 M.	BBM No. 24, CAD 825
2	3	S 48-55 W	1271.02 M.	BBM No. 20, CAD 825
3	4	S 78-38 W	2849.26 M.	BBM No. 23, CAD 825
4	5	N 07-58 E	554.50 M.	BBM No. 14, CAD 825
5	6	N 06-23 E	1453.91 M.	STAKE
6	7	N 76-31 E	88.06 M.	STAKE
7	8	N 42-02 E	129.89 M.	STAKE
8	9	N 16-21 E	67.07 M.	STAKE
9	10	N 53-30 E	26.95 M.	STAKE
10	11	N 74-03 E	502.02 M.	STAKE
11	12	N 27-45 W	43.76 M.	STAKE

12	13	N 03-08 E	129.38 M.	STAKE
13	14	S 76-07 E	283.35 M.	STAKE
14	15	N 00-28 W	125.49 M.	STAKE
15	16	S 87-51 E	154.58 M.	STAKE
16	17	N 48-30 E	108.65 M.	STAKE
17	18	S 83-44 E	131.97 M.	STAKE
18	19	S 69-22 E	175.57 M.	STAKE
19	20	S 53-26 E	168.54 M.	STAKE
20	21	S 61-08 E	622.85 M.	STAKE
21	22	N 35-45 E	207.20 M.	STAKE
22	23	N 21-52 E	147.15 M.	STAKE
23	24	N 50-21 W	27.21 M.	STAKE
24	25	N 24-40 E	297.23 M.	STAKE
25	26	N 34-17 E	336.99 M.	STAKE
26	1	S 434-31 E	1510.07 M.	STAKE

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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 barangay shall exist upon the majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters in a plebiscite to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in the affected area, within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 4. ***Barangay Officials.*** – The first set of officials of the said barangay shall be appointed by the Governor of Ifugao and shall hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

SECTION 5. ***Public Infrastructure and Facilities.*** – All existing public infrastructures and facilities for public use existing therein at the same 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 New Poblacion shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991".

SECTION 7. ***Separability Clause.*** – If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. ***Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,