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House Bill No. **356**

Introduced by: **REP. MARK CHOLO I. VIOLAGO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as “The Local Government Code of 1991”, provides that a barangay is the basic political unit that 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.

Tigpalas is a barangay in the Municipality of San Miguel under the Third Congressional District, in the province of Bulacan. Its population as determined by the 2020 Census was 4,397. This represented 2.56% of the total population of San Miguel. The population of Tigpalas grew from 2,920 in 1995 to 4,397 in 2020, an increase of 1,477 people over the course of 25 years. The latest census figures in 2020 denote a positive annualized growth rate of 2.04%, or an increase of 403 people, from the previous population of 3,994 in 2015. The continued growth in terms of population signifies continued growth in the needs for basic services of the residents in the said barangay. Thus, a creation of a separate barangay is necessary.

Barangay Tigpalas in the Municipality of San Miguel, Bulacan was created as a separate and distinct barangay by virtue of a local government unit ordinance. Its creation is a realization of the desire of the people of Barangay Tigpalas to be a self-reliant community and



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a partner in attaining national goals. The creation of this new barangay will insure closer supervision of the execution of developmental programs of the locality.

However, since its creation is by virtue of an ordinance, Barangay Tigpalas does not enjoy the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) as prescribed by Section 285 of the Local Government Code which states: "That the financial requirements of the barangay created by Local Government Units after the effectivity of this Code shall be the responsibility of the LGU concerned".

All or nearly all of the revenue that a local government has to spend comes from their IRA, though some local governments also have additional local sources of revenue such as taxes and government fees. Typically for barangays, the IRA accounts for 90% of total revenues. Thus the enactment of this bill into law will enable Barangay Tigpalas to avail of the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) provided for in the yearly General Appropriations Act.

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

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AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY TIGPALAS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN MIGUEL, DISTRICT 3, PROVINCE OF BULACAN

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 "Tigpalas" in the Municipality of San Miguel, District 3, Province of Bulacan.

SECTION 2. CONDUCT and SUPERVISION of PLEBISCITE

The plebiscite for the creation of the 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. 7610, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

SECTION 3. BARANGAY OFFICIALS

The incumbent officials of Barangay Tigpalas shall continue to hold office until such time that their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.



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SECTION 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.

SECTION 5. INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT

Barangay Tigpalas in the Municipality of San Miguel, Bulacan shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code of 1991.

SECTION 6. APPLICATION OF LAWS

The Local Government Code of 1991, as amended and all other laws governing the administration and operation of barangays are hereby made applicable to Barangay Tigpalas.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY

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