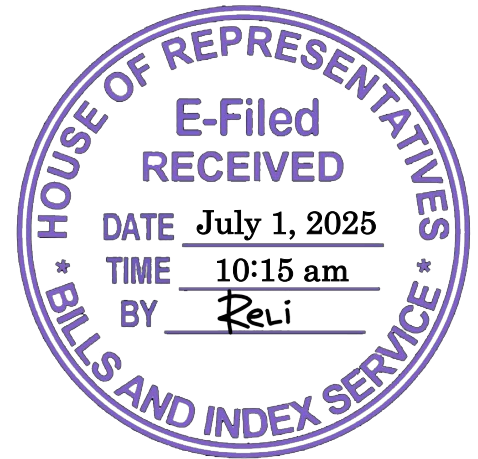




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TWENTIETH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. **735**

Introduced by **Representative SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was originally filed as; House Bill No. 1047 in the 13th Congress; House Bill No. 0897 in the 14th Congress; House Bill No. 6036 in the 15th Congress; House Bill No. 3764 in the 16th Congress; House Bill No. 1110 in the 17th Congress; House Bill No. 9952 in the 18th Congress; and was refiled again on July 19, 2022 as House Bill No. 2138 in the 19th Congress.

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.

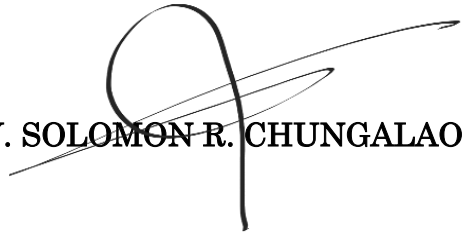
As a basic political unit, the barangay serves as the vanguard of providing a wide array of frontline basic and essential services to the citizens and to the community. It acts as the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects and activities in the community 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.

This bill seeks to create a new barangay in the Municipality of Banaue, Province of Ifugao comprising the sitios of Inacbucan, Matanglag, Talboc, Itanungon, Chigchig, Awaanm, Upper Ibayong and Lower Ibayong from the mother barangay of Bocos and sitios Liwang, Chalugong, Pinugo, and Bocoh from the mother barangay of Poitan, all in the aforementioned municipality in Ifugao, be constituted into a separate and distinct barangay to be known as Barangay Ibayong. This bill is in the face of resonating and unified public clamor for a clear and immediate legislative remedy for the realization of the people's aspirations and a taste of meaningful progress through self-governance.

The kind and favorable support of the Members of the Congress for the prompt and timely passage of this measure is earnestly sought.



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AN ACT
CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY IBAYONG IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF BANAUE, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO

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

SECTION 1. *Creation of Barangay Ibayong.* – The sitios of Inacbucan, Matanglag, Talboc, Itanungon, Chigchig, Awaan, Upper Ibayong, and Lower Ibayong from Barangay Bocos, and sitios Liwang, Chalugong, Pinugo, Bocoh from Barangay Poitan, all in the Municipality of Banaue, Province of Ifugao, are hereby separated and constituted into a distinct and independent barangay to be known as Barangay Ibayong.

The technical description of Barangay Ibayong shall be as follows:

Bounded on the west by Barangay Bocos, north by Barangay Cambulo and east by Barangay Kinakin, all in the Municipality of Banaue, Ifugao.

SECTION 2. *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 3. *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 4. *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 5. *Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.* – Barangay Ibayong 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 6. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to conduct the plebiscite as provided for under this Act shall be borne by the Municipality Banaue, Province of Ifugao.

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,