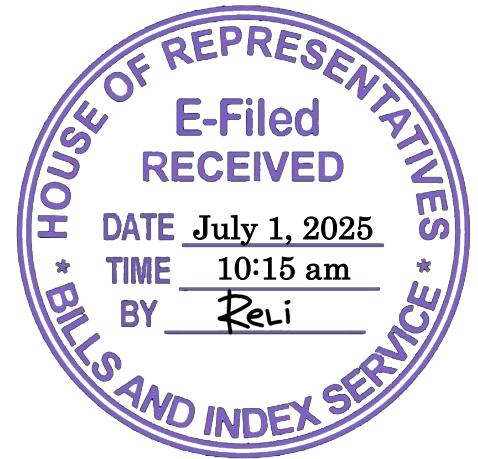




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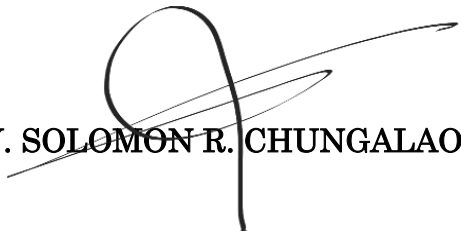
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was originally filed as House Bill No. 1600 in the 17th Congress and House Bill No. 3364 in the 18th Congress. It was again refiled on July 19, 2022 as House Bill No. 2139 in the 19th Congress.

The Special Economic Zone (SEZ) of Mappit is a part of Barangay Duit of the Municipality of Kiangnan. It is bounded on the North by Barangays Baguinge, South by Barangay Haliap of the Municipality of Asipulo, East by Barangay Bolog and on the West is Barangay Tuplac of the Municipality of Kiangnan.

The SEZ of Mappit is currently suffering as a government unit due to its geographical isolation and peculiar dialect from its mother barangay of Duit. It has resulted in the dependence of Mappit to the Barangay which in turn stifles its progress. To ensure the independence of the SEZ from its mother barangay and for it to be able to economically fend for itself, the creation of a new barangay is necessary.

Given this reason it is most respectfully urged that this bill be approved with utmost urgency and significance.


ATTY. SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO



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

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

SECTION 1. *Creation of Barangay Mappit.* – Special Economic Zone of Mappit in Barangay Panubtuban and Haliap of the Municipality of Asipulo and Barangay Duit of Kiangan, Province of Ifugao is hereby separated from Barangay Panubtuban and Haliap of the Municipality of Asipulo and Barangay Duit of Kiangan and constituted into a new barangay to be known as Barangay Mappit.

The technical description of Barangay Mappit shall be as follows:

Bounded on the East by Barangay Bolog, Kiangan, South by Barangay Panubtuban, Asipulo, North by Barangay Duit, Kiangan and West by Barangay Haliap of Asipulo.

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 of Barangay Panubtuban and Haliap of the Municipality of Asipulo and Barangay Duit of the Municipality of Kiangan, Province of Ifugao in a plebiscite to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in the area affected, 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 Mappit 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 6. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to conduct the plebiscite as provided for under this Act shall be borne by the Municipality of Asipulo and Kiangnan, Province of Ifugao.

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.

Approved,