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HOUSE BILL NO. 3009



Introduced by **HON. JORGE DANIEL S. BOCOBO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

For many barangays, the National Tax Allotment (formerly the Internal Revenue Allotment) is the primary and largest source of operating revenue for financing basic services, development projects, and various devolved functions. These include among others, the delivery of basic health and social services, maintenance of local roads and utilities, support for public order and safety, and management of community facilities. Given the central role of the NTA in sustaining these legally mandated services and related budgetary obligations, it is urgent that Barangay North Signal Village (Taguig City) receives its full and properly computed share in national taxes.

Barangay North Signal Village, with a land area of approximately 622,700 square meters and a population of 34,487¹ was established pursuant to City Ordinance No. 68, Series of 2008 enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Taguig and approved on September 15, 2008. Following the conduct of a plebiscite and the election of its first set of officials on December 28, 2008, the barangay began to operate as a distinct corporate entity, consistent with Section 14 of the Local Government Code.

Despite its formal creation and compliance with the legal requisites for barangayhood under Section 386 of the Local Government Code, Barangay North Signal Village has yet to receive its NTA. As former Barangay Chairman of Barangay Fort Bonifacio in Taguig City, I saw firsthand the difficulties of managing a fast-growing community without its proper share of the NTA. This persistent exclusion has deprived the barangay of critical resources necessary for the delivery of basic services and facilities enumerated in Section 17 (b) of the Local Government Code, particularly those devolved by the national government.

Geographically, Barangay North Signal Village is bounded by the property of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA-Palakol Area and Pinagsama Village Phase II), Maria Asuncion Rodriguez Tiña (M.R.T.) Avenue (formerly Cuasay Street), Dream Land Village, Enlisted Personnel Housing Village Phase 2, Sampaloc Street and a creek — all within or adjacent to territories historically associated with boundary disputes in Metro Manila. Nonetheless, its recognition as a separate and functioning barangay under the jurisdiction of the City of Taguig has long been established.

¹ based on the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) 2024 Census of Population (POPCEN)

This proposal seeks to correct an administrative gap and ensure that Barangay North Signal Village is granted full fiscal recognition as a local government unit so it can deliver the basic services and fund local projects for the benefit of its residents.

No less than the 1987 Constitution mandates that “Local government units shall have a just share, as determined by law, in the national taxes which shall be automatically released to them.”

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



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AN ACT
CREATING A BARANGAY IN THE CITY OF TAGUIG TO BE KNOWN AS
BARANGAY NORTH SIGNAL VILLAGE

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

SECTION 1. Creation of Barangay North Signal Village. – North Signal Village Proper in Barangay Signal Village, City of Taguig, Metro Manila is hereby separated from Barangay Signal Village and constituted into a distinct and independent barangay to be known as Barangay North Signal Village.

SECTION 2. Territorial Boundaries. – The territorial boundaries of Barangay North Signal Village are hereby described as follows:

“Bounded on the North by the property of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA-Palakol Area and Pinagsama Village Phase II);
On the South by Maria Asuncion Rodriguez Tiña (M.R.T.) Avenue (formerly Cuasay Street);
On the East by the property of BCDA (Palakol Area- Pag-asa) and Dream Land Village;
On the West by Enlisted Personnel Housing Village Phase 2, Sampaloc Street and a creek.”

SECTION 3. Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite. – The plebiscite conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections in Barangay Signal Village pursuant to City Ordinance No. 68, Series of 2008 of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Taguig, which ratified the creation of Barangay North Signal Village as proclaimed by the City Board of Canvassers on December 28, 2008, shall serve as substantial compliance with the plebiscite requirement under Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7160 as amended, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991.”

SECTION 4. Incumbent Barangay Officials. – The incumbent barangay officials of Barangay North Signal Village, City of Taguig shall continue to hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

SECTION 5. Public Infrastructure and Facilities. – All public infrastructure and facilities 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 6. National Tax Allotment Shares. – Barangay North Signal Village shall be entitled to the National Tax Allotment shares pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended.

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,