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House Bill No. 5835

Introduced by Hon. ROSANNA "RIA" V. VERGARA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the creation and declaration of Barangay Bagong Buhay in the City of Palayan, Province of Nueva Ecija as a local government unit created pursuant to Section 385 of the Local Government Code of 1991 ("LGC").

Under Section 385 of the LGC, a barangay may be created, divided, merged, or abolished, or its boundary substantially altered by law or by an ordinance of the sangguniang panlalawigan or sangguniang panlungsod, subject to approval by majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite to be conducted by the Commission on Elections ("COMELEC") in the local government unit or units directly affected within such period of time as may be determined by law or by the ordinance creating said barangay.

Barangay Bagong Buhay became an independent and distinct barangay through City Ordinance No. 10-A Series of 1994 dated 01 June 1994 of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Palayan. On November 25, 1995, COMELEC conducted a plebiscite participated by the residents. This plebiscite ratified the creation of Barangay Bagong Buhay. The first set of barangay officials was appointed, and since then, elections for barangay officials were held regularly.

As a barangay created by a local ordinance, the barangay does not receive Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA). It only depends on provincial assistance and city aid for the relevant local government units of Nueva Ecija. This bill pursues the creation of Barangay Bagong Buhay in order for a national law to strengthen its powers, particularly through the grant of the IRA for the betterment of its governance and the lives of its residents. With
ample funding, Barangay Bagong Buhay will thrive and its residents will have better access to government services. This is expected to raise their standard of living.

Given the foregoing, this bill is respectfully submitted for immediate consideration and approval.

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AN ACT  
CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY BAGONG BUHAY  
IN THE CITY OF PALAYAN, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIIA

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

SECTION 1. Creation of Barangay Bagong Buhay. — There is hereby created a barangay to be known as Barangay Bagong Buhay in the City of Palayan, Province of Nueva Ecija.

SECTION 2. Territorial Boundaries. — The territorial boundaries of Barangay Bagong Buhay are hereby described as follows:

“A parcel of Land (portion of Barangay Maligaya political boundary situated in the City of Palayan, Province of Nueva Ecija, Island of Luzon, bounded on the South, along line 1-2 by Barangay, Doña Josefa on the West, NW, along line 2-7, by Brgy. Maligaya on the NE., along line 7-8 by Municipality of Laur, Nueva Ecija. Beginning of a point Marked “1” MBM#40 Pb-03-0001, Palayan City to corner 1, Thence, N 85 deg. 57’ W., 2365.52 m. to point 2; thence N 44 deg. 10’W., 490.76 m. to point 3; thence N 01 deg. 32’W., 701.17 m. to point 4; thence N 36 deg. 59’E., 1134.66 m. point 5; thence N 00 deg. 45’ E., 732.31 m. point 6; thence S 80 deg. 58’E., 1073.48 m. to point 7; thence S 19 deg. 48E’., 2859.18 m. to point of beginning containing an area of Five Hundred Seven point Eighty Six (507.86) Hectares.”

SECTION 3. Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite. — The plebiscite conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (“COMELEC”) pursuant to City Ordinance No. 10-A, Series of 1994 dated June 01 of the Sangguniang Panlungod of the City of Palayan, which ratified the creation of Barangay Bagong Buhay as proclaimed by the Plebiscite Board of Canvassers on November 26, 1995, shall serve as compliance to 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 Bagong Buhay, City of Palayan, Province of Nueva Ecija 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. *Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.* – Barangay Bagong Buhay shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Office Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.