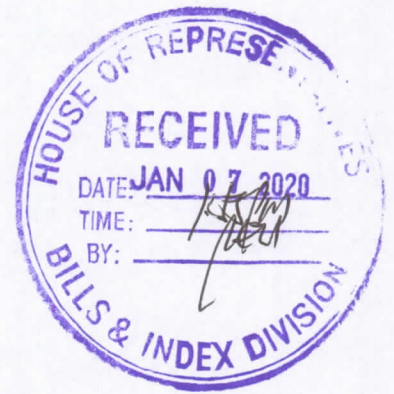


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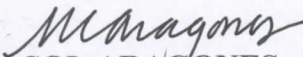
The 1987 Philippine Constitution prescribes that each legislative district shall comprise, as far as practicable, contiguous, compact, and adjacent territory. Each city with a population of at least two hundred fifty thousand (250,000), or each province, shall have at least one representative. The 250,000 population threshold exists in order to practically and efficiently serve and represent the interests of the constituents.

The City of San Pablo in the Province of Laguna is currently a part of the Third Legislative District of the Province of Laguna. As of 2019, the city has a population of 279,954 according to the Philippine Statistics Authority and as of 2018, the city has a total actual income of P1,130,746,651.23.

Based on the Constitution, the City of San Pablo has met the requirement of at least 250,000 population in order for the city to have its own representative in Congress.

It is therefore proposed that San Pablo City be separated from the Third Legislative District of the Province of Laguna and create the Lone Legislative District of San Pablo City. A representation in Congress focused solely to serve and promote the interests and concerns of the City of San Pablo will ensure that those interests and concerns be practically and efficiently addressed.

Hence, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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1 **AN ACT SEPARATING THE CITY OF SAN PABLO FROM THE THIRD**
2 **LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO CONSTITUTE**
3 **THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO**

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

6 **SECTION 1. Lone Legislative District.** – The City of San Pablo is hereby separated
7 from the Third Legislative District of the Province of Laguna to constitute the Lone Legislative
8 District of the City of San Pablo, which shall commence in the next national election after the
9 effectivity of this Act.

10 **SECTION. 2. Incumbent Representative.** – The incumbent Representative of the
11 present Third Legislative District of the Province of Laguna shall continue to represent the said
12 district until the expiration of his/her term of office.

13 **SECTION. 3. Rules and Regulations.** – The Commission on Elections shall issue the
14 necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act within thirty (30) days after its
15 effectivity.

16 **SECTION. 4. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, rules and regulations which are
17 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

18 **SECTION. 5. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
19 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

20 *Approved.*