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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991" provides that "A Barangay is the basic political unit which serves 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, and where disputes may be amicably settled."

Barangay FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE RESOURCES (FVR) was created as a separate and distinct barangay in the town of Norzagaray under the Third Congressional District of the province of Bulacan by virtue of a local government unit ordinance. Its creation is a realization of the desire of the people of FVR to be a self-reliant community and partner in attaining national goals.

However, since its creation is by virtue of an ordinance, Barangay FVR does not enjoy the IRA pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code which says "That the financial requirements of the barangays created by Local Government Units after the effectivity of this Code shall be the responsibility of the Local Government Unit concerned".

Thus the enactment of this bill into a law will enable Barangay FVR to avail of the Internal Revenue Allotment provided for in the yearly General Appropriations Act.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE RESOURCES (FVR) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORZAGARAY, BULACAN

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

- **SEC 1. Creation.** a new barangay is hereby created to be known as barangay "Friendship Village Resources (FVR)", in the Municipality of Norzagaray, Province of Bulacan.
- SEC 2. Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite. The plebiscite for the creation of the new barangay shall be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) pursuant to compliance with the plebiscite requirement under Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7610, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991".
- **SEC 3. Barangay Officials.** The incumbent officials of Barangay Friendship Village Resources (FVR) shall continue to hold office until such time their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.
- **SEC 4. Public Infrastructure and Facilities.** All existing public infrastructure and facilities for public use existing therein at the time of the approval of this Act are hereby transferred without cost of compensation to and shall be administered by the new Barangay.
- SEC 5. Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) Shares. Barangay Friendship Villages Resources (FVR) in the Munipality of Norzagaray, Bulacan shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of the Local Government Code of 1991.
- SEC 6. Applicability of Laws. The Local Government Code of 1991, as amended and all other laws governing the administration and operation of Barangays are hereby made applicable to Barangay Friendship Village Resources (FVR).

SEC 7. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, ordinances, rules and regulation, and other issuances or part thereof which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC 8. Effectivity. - This Act shall take after fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

LORNA C. SILVERIO