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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Municipality of Guagua in the Province of Pampanga is a first class municipality with a population of 111,199 based on 2010 census. Currently, the municipality has 31 barangays.

Of the 31 barangays, Barangay Ascomo was created based on Sangguniang Panlalawigan Ordinance No. 26, which was approved last September 1993 during the term of then Governor Bren Z. Guiao. Considering that the said barangay was not created by virtue of a law, they are not enjoying the benefit of receiving the annual Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) from the Department of Budget and Management and thus receiving only financial aid from the municipal and provincial governments.

Barangay Ascomo has been in existence for almost 23 years, with its current Council serving the needs of its constituents effectively. It is about time for it to be recognized officially as a barangay to further strengthen the provision of basic services to its people.

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

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

- Section 1. Creation of Barangay Ascomo. Barangay Ascomo, Municipality of Guagua, Province of Pampanga, is hereby officially created as a barangay, and therefore retain its identity based on its more or less permanent natural boundaries. Its meters and bounds shall be surveyed, cost of which shall be borne by the local government units concerned.
- Sec. 2. Barangay Officials.- The first set of officials shall be appointed by the Provincial Governor, in consultation with the Municipal Mayor and Representative of the District, and shall hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified.
- Sec. 3. 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 or compensation to and shall be administered by the barangay.
- Sec. 4. Internal Revenue Allotment Shares. Barangay Malabni shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.
- Sec. 5. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.