

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 2379



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Introduced by Representative Florida P. Robes

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to divide Barangay Muzon into four distinct and independent barangays.

Barangay Muzon is considered as the city's most populous area, with a population of more than a hundred thousand. As such, the splitting of Barangay Muzon into four barangays will not alter its present administrative status. This proposal is intimated on the vision of the local governance in improving the delivery of basic social services and effectively managing available resources for the general welfare of the whole constituency of the City,

Further, this proposal is in accordance with Section 385 of the Local Government Code which provides that a barangay may be created, divided, merged, abolished, or its boundary substantially altered, by law or by an ordinance, subject to the approval by a majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite to be conducted by the Comelec in the local government unit or units directly affected within such period of time as may be determined by the law or ordinance creating said barangay and Section 386 of the same Code which states that a barangay maybe divided as long as the creation thereof shall not reduce the population of the original Barangay or Barangays to less than the minimum requirement prescribed by law. The author opts for the enactment of a law for this purpose

Considering the premises aforestated, the approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**DIVIDING BARANGAY MUZON IN THE CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BULACAN INTO FOUR (4) DISTINCT AND INDEPENDENT BARANGAYS TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY MUZON PROPER, BARANGAY MUZON EAST, BARANGAY MUZON WEST AND BARANGAY MUZON SOUTH**

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

SECTION 1. *Division of Muzon.* – Barangay Muzon in the City of San Jose del Monte, Province of Bulacan is hereby divided into four (4) distinct and independent barangays to be known as Barangay Muzon Proper, Barangay Muzon East, Barangay Muzon West and Barangay Muzon South.

SEC. 2. *Territorial Boundaries.* - The territorial boundaries of each barangay created in the immediately preceding section shall be as follows:

(1) Barangay Muzon Proper "Bounded on the North by Muzon East; On the East by Poblacion I; On the Southeast (SE) by Muzon South; On the Northeast (NE) by Barangay Gaya-gaya; and On the Southwest (SW) by Sta. Maria, Bulacan" Containing an area of 315.15 hectares, more or less.

(2) Barangay Muzon East "Bounded on the North by Dulong Bayan; On the East by Poblacion; On the Southeast (SE) by Muzon Proper; and On the Southwest (SW) by Muzon West" Containing an area of 256.88 hectares, more or less.

(3) Barangay Muzon West "Bounded on the Northeast (NE) by Muzon East; On the East by Muzon Proper; On the Southwest (SW) by Sta. Maria, Bulacan; and On the Northwest (NW) by Sta. Maria, Bulacan" Containing an area of 194.74 hectares, more or less.

(4) Barangay Muzon South "Bounded on the North by Muzon Proper; On the East by Caloocan City; On the Southeast (SE) by Caloocan City; and On the Southwest (SW) by Muzon Proper, Caloocan City and Marilao, Bulacan" Containing an area of 148.88 hectares, more or less.

SEC. 3. *Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite.* - The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall conduct and supervise the plebiscite to be held in Barangay Muzon in the City of San Jose del Monte, Province of Bulacan within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act. The expenses for such plebiscite shall be borne by the City of San Jose del Monte.

SEC. 4. *Incumbent Barangay Officials.* - The incumbent barangay officials of Barangay Muzon shall continue to hold office and administer Barangays Muzon Proper, Muzon East, Muzon West and Muzon South until such time that the officials of the newly created barangays have been duly elected and qualified.

SEC. 5. *Public Infrastructure and Facilities.* - All 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 new barangays.

SEC. 6. *Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.* - All barangays herein created 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. 7. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,