

## Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid

## AN ACT CONVERTING PIO MODEL COMMUNITY IN BARANGAY PIO, MUNICIPALITY OF PORAC, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, INTO A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY ADELINA, FOR OTHER PURPOSES

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the conversion of the Pio Model Community into a new barangay to be named after Doña Adelina Avenciana Reyes, the donor of the resettlement site where the model community is situated.

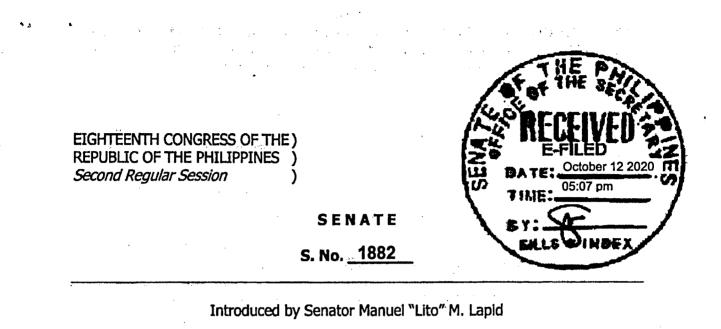
Pio Model Community is a 50-hectare property donated in 1992 to serve as a resettlement site for evacuees from nearby barangays that were greatly devastated by the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in 1991. Since then, it has developed into a community with 15.3 hectares for residential area, 26.3 hectares equipped with community facilities and 8.42 hectares of road network.

The proposed conversion of this model community into a new barangay, separate and distinct from Barangay Pio, is necessary to accelerate the delivery of essential services to its constituents, whose social and economic wellbeing have not completely recovered from the damages brought about by said catatrophe.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this bill is earnestly requested

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

Section 1. *Conversion of Pio Model Community into a Barangay.* – The Pio Model Community in Barangay Pio, Municipality of Porac, Province of Pampanga, is hereby converted as a barangay to be known as Barangay Adelina. It shall retain its identity based on its more or less permanent natural boundaries. Its metes and bounds shall be surveyed, the cost of which shall be borne by the local government units concerned or by the National Government.

- 8 Sec. 2. *Barangay Officials.* The first set of officials shall be appointed by the 9 Provincial Governor, in consultation with the Mayor of the Municipality of Porac and 10 Legislative Representative of the District and shall hold office until such time that their 11 successors have been duly elected.
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Sec. 3. *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

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1 without cost or compensation to and shall be administered by the barangay.

Sec. 4. *Internal Revenue Allotment Share.* – Barangay Adelina 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.

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Sec. 5. Security of Tenure of Mt. Pinatubo victims in Barangay Adelina. – The Provincial Government of Pampanga and the Local Government of Porac are hereby mandated to ensure the security of tenure of legitimate housing beneficiaries in the donated resettlement site and are tasked to work with the National Housing Authority (NHA) to complete the survey and titling activities for said donated property, pursuant to the provision of Executive Order 552 s. 2006 pertinent to the administration of Mt. Pinatubo lowland communities.

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

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