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Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
Cotabato City

FOURTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
(Second Regular Session)

[MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 153]

Begun and Held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the twenty-eight day of October, two thousand two.

AN ACT CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF DATU ABDULLAH SANGKI IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Regional Legislative Assembly in session assembled:

SECTION 1. The Barangays of Dimaampao, Old Maganoy, Guinibon, Kaya-Kaya, Sugadol, Tukanalogong, Madanding, Banaba, Mao and Talisawa in the Municipality of Ampatuan, Province of Maguindanao are hereby separated from said municipality and constituted into a distinct and independent Municipality of Datu Abdullah Sangki.

SEC. 2. The seat of government of the Municipality of Datu Abdullah Sangki shall be in Barangay Talisawa to be known hereafter as Barangay Poblacion.

SEC. 3. The Municipality of Datu Abdullah Sangki contains a land area of Fifty One Point Fifty (51.50) square kilometers, more or less, which shall be bounded as follows:

“Beginning at Point 1 along Ala River, the line moves S15⁰30”E for 3,300 meters towards Point 2; thence S40⁰02”E for 3,000 meters following the natural boundary of Ala River towards Point 3; thence S02⁰35”W for 1,350 meters towards Point 4; thence S18⁰10”E for 2,450 meters towards Point 5; thence S03⁰35”W for 3,000 meters towards Point 6; thence S28⁰05”E for 1,216.26 meters towards Point 7; thence S68⁰47”W for 17,446 meters towards Point 8; thence N08⁰30”W for



3,200 meters following the contour of Kakal River towards Point 9; thence $N55^{\circ}50''E$ for 1,200 meters towards Point 10; thence $S71^{\circ}58''W$ for 2,261.08 meters towards Point 11; thence $S04^{\circ}46''W$ for 602.89 meters ending on a point along the National Highway towards Point 12; thence $S52^{\circ}51''W$ for 2,070.02 meters towards Point 13; thence $N48^{\circ}44''W$ for 2,196.59 meters towards Point 14; thence $N28^{\circ}31''E$ for 2,617.73 meters towards Point 15; thence $N66^{\circ}02''E$ for 2,700 meters passing through Mao Creek towards Point 16; thence $N07^{\circ}16''W$ for 3,000 meters towards Point 17; thence $N15^{\circ}09''W$ for 1,00 meters towards Point 18; thence $N34^{\circ}49''W$ for 2,801.79 meters towards Point 19; thence $N29^{\circ}32''E$ for 1,724.09 meters towards Point 20; thence the line moves in an Easterly direction for 2,200 meters towards Point 21; thence moving North for 2,850 meters towards Point 22; thence going West for 700 meters towards Point 23; thence moving $N24^{\circ}18''E$ for 2,200 meters following the contour of Kabulnan River towards 24; thence $N70^{\circ}30''E$ for 3,000 meters towards Point 25; thence $S10^{\circ}25''E$ for 1,000 meters towards Point 26; thence $N40^{\circ}15''E$ for 1,200 meters towards Point 27; thence $N09^{\circ}18''E$ for 700 meters towards Point 28; thence moving $N88^{\circ}44''E$ for 3,719.17 meters going back to the point of origin.

SEC. 4. Immediately after the ratification of this Act in a plebiscite, the Regional Governor shall appoint the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and eight (8) Members of the Sangguniang Bayan who shall hold office until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified in the next regular local elections. Sectoral representatives, as ex-officio members of the Sangguniang Bayan, shall be elected by their respective sectors according to the pertinent provisions of Muslim Mindanao Autonomy Act No. 25, as amended, and its Implementing Rules and Regulations: Provided, That they shall exercise their duties and powers specified under Republic Act No. 9054, Muslim Mindanao Autonomy Act No. 25, as amended, and other rules and regulations.

SEC. 5. The corporate existence of the Municipality of Datu Abdullah Sangki shall commence upon the appointment or elections and qualification of its Mayor, Vice-Mayor and majority of the Members of the Sangguniang Bayan.



SEC. 6. For the initial operation of Datu Abdullah Sangki Municipality, such sums as are necessary shall be provided by the Regional Government, Provincial Government of Maguindanao, and Municipal Government of Ampatuan until its regular share from Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shall have been released by the national government to the said new municipality.

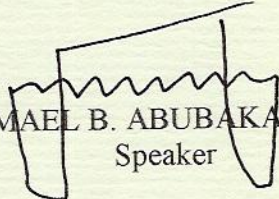
Sec. 7. The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall conduct and supervise the plebiscite in the municipality directly affected within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act.

SEC. 8. The expenses necessary in holding the plebiscite shall be appropriated or provided out of any available funds in the Treasury of its mother municipality and/or the Provincial Treasury of Maguindanao as may be determined by the Sangguniang Bayan and/or the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

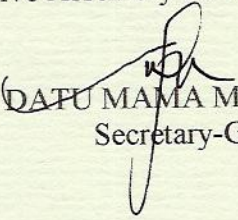
SEC. 9. The creation of the Municipality of Datu Abdullah Sangki shall take effect when approved by a majority of the votes cast in the plebiscite called for the purpose.

SEC. 10. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.


APPROVED.


ISMAEL B. ABUBAKAR, JR.
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional legislative Assembly on August 15, 2003.


DATU MAMA M. AMPATUAN
Secretary-General

APPROVED:


PAROUK S. HUSSIN
Regional Governor
Date: 8/20/03