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Republic of the Philippines  
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao  
**REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
Cotabato City

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**RLA BILL NO. 63**

**THIRD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**  
**(Fourth Regular Session)**

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of April, nineteen hundred and ninety nine.

**[ MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 95 ]**

**AN ACT CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAGAGAWAN IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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

**Section 1.** The barangays of Tunggol, Talapas, Pagagawan, Nabundas, Maridagao, Limbalod, Dungguan, Bulod, Balatungkayo, Bulit and Talitay in the Municipality of Pagalungan, Province of Maguindanao, are hereby separated from said municipality and constituted into a distinct and independent municipality in the same Province to be known as the Municipality of Pagagawan.

**Sec. 2.** The Sangguniang Bayan of Pagagawan municipality shall fix the permanent seat of government, which shall be centrally and strategically located and accessible: Provided, however, That the temporary seat of the municipal government shall be in Barangay Tunggol.

**Sec. 3.** The Municipality of Pagagawan contains an area of thirty one point seventy four (31.74) square kilometers, more or less, which shall be bounded as follows:

“The point of origin, Point 1, is situated along the bank of Rio Grande de Mindanao within the natural boundary of Barangay Talitay; thence due 538.52 meters northeast following

the contour of the banks of Rio Grande until Point 2; thence it continues northeast for 1,280.62 meters veering away from Rio Grande and following the natural boundary between Barangay Talitay of the proposed Municipality of Pagagawan and Barangay Bago-inged of the mother municipality for Point 3; thence continuing northeastward for 3,337.66 meters still following the natural boundary between Barangay Talitay and Barangay Bago-inged of the Municipality of Pagalungan until Point 4; thence it goes due north, approximately 2,400 meters following the barangay boundary between Bulod and Bago-inged towards Point 5; thence due west for 2,900 meters following the boundary between Barangay Dungguan and Barangay Kudal and forming the boundary between Pagagawan and Pagalungan towards Point 6; thence due north 1,500 meters still following the barangay boundary between Dungguan and Kudal towards Point 7; then it proceeds due west for 1,100 meters maintaining the boundary between Dungguan and Kudal towards Point 8; thence it goes 2,563.2 meters northeast following the natural boundary between Barangay Dungguan and Barangays Inug-ug and Galakit towards Point 9; thence continuing due east 1,200 meters ending at the cut-off channel from the Rio Grande towards Point 10; thence due 2,376.97 meters northwest following the contour of the cut-off channel and traversing the National Highway, passing through Barangay Tunggol and ending at the mouth of the cut-off channel from the Rio Grande for Point 11; thence due 1,341.64 meters northeast following the contour of the Rio Grande at the outskirts of Barangay Tunggol for Point 12; thence due 2,863.56 meters northwest along Rio Grande and passing through Barangay Batungkayo towards Point 13; thence continuing northwest for 1,019.8 meters following the river bank and forming

the natural boundary Barangay Maridagao for Point 14; thence due 670.82 meters continuing northwest for Point 15 now following the contour of the Maridagao River; thence it goes northeast for 4,204.76 meters forming the barangay boundary between Maridagao and Kilangan towards Point 16; thence it proceeds 6,527.63 meters southeast following the existing municipal boundary of Barangay Limbalao and ending at the National Highway for point 18; thence it goes southeast for 1,334.17 meters along the National Highway ending at the bank of the Maridagao River as Point 19; thence it goes 943.4 meters southwest passing through the body of the Maridagao River and ending at the other side of the river for Point 20; thence it proceeds 4,609.77 meters southeast following the boundary of Barangay Bulit and the existing municipal boundary between Pagalungan and Kabacan as Point 21; thence due 3, 569.31 meters southwest traversing the boundary of Barangay Bulit and forming the boundary from the Municipality of Kabacan as point 22; thence due 948.68 meters southeast traversing the boundary for Barangay Bulod of the Municipality of Pagagawan/Pagalungan from the Municipality of Kabacan for Point 23; thence continuing southwest for 824.62 meters still along the boundary line towards point 24; thence it goes southeast for 761,58 meters along the existing boundary line until Point 25; thence due 2,118.96 meters southwest for still traversing the existing municipal boundary for Point 26; thence it proceeds due east for 21,800 meters traversing the municipal boundary up to the corner of Barangay Bulod in Pagagawan/Pagalungan for Point 27; thence for traverse the municipal boundary line until Point 28; thence it goes due west for 18,700 meters traversing the boundary between the Mother Municipality of Pagalungan and the proposed municipality of Pagagawan until Point 29; thence due north 3,200 meters following the boundary between Barangay Bulod and Barangay

Dalgan for Point 30; thence due west, 6,600 meters forming the boundary between barangay Bulod of the proposed municipality and Barangay Dalgan of the mother municipality for point 31; thence it goes due south 1,000 meters from Bulod up to a corner of Barangay Talitay for Point 32; thence it continues southwestward for 2,441.31 meters traversing the proposed boundary between Pagalungan and Pagagawan until Point 33; thence due 948.68 meters northwest following the natural boundary of Barangay Talitay until Point 35; thence due 1,513.27 meters northwestward for Point 36 traversing the existing natural boundary; thence continuing northwestward for 2,408.32 meters towards the point of origin, Point 1, along the banks of Rio Grande de Mindanao.”

**Sec. 4.** Immediately after the ratification of this Act in a plebiscite, the Regional Governor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao shall, upon recommendation of the Sangguniang Bayan of Pagalungan municipality and duly endorsed by the Provincial Governor of Maguindanao and the Regional Legislative Assembly, 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 25, as amended, and its Implementing Rules and Regulations: Provided, That they shall exercise their duties and powers specified under Republic Act 6734, Muslim Mindanao Autonomy Act 25, as amended, and other rules and regulations.

**Sec. 5.** The corporate existence of Pagagawan municipality shall commence upon the appointment or election and qualification of its mayor and a majority of the members of the Sangguniang Bayan.

**Sec. 6.** For the initial operation of Pagagawan municipality, such sums as may be appropriated by the Municipality of Pagalungan from its available funds shall be provided, until the share of the new municipality from the internal revenue allotments shall have been released by the national government.

Sec. 7. The Commission on Elections shall conduct and supervise the plebiscite in the municipality directly affected within one hundred twenty (120) days from the approval of this Act.

Sec. 8. The expenses required in holding the plebiscite shall be appropriated out of any available funds in the Municipal Treasury of Pagalungan and/or the Provincial Treasury of Maguindanao, as may be determined by the Sangguniang Bayan and/or Sangguniang Panlalawigan, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations .

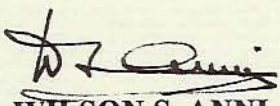
Sec. 9. The creation of the Municipality of Pagagawan shall take effect when approved by a majority of the votes cast in the plebiscite called for the purpose.

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

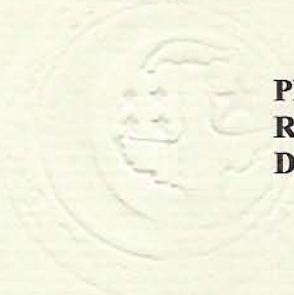
APPROVED.

  
KABILAN G. SEMA  
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Legislative Assembly on January 18, 2000.

  
WILSON S. ANNI  
Secretary-General

APPROVED:

  
PROF. NUR P. MISUARI  
Regional Governor  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_