

[PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1548, June 11, 1978]

CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAGOLOAN IN THE PROVINCE OF LANA DEL SUR

WHEREAS, self-reliant communities are a must in line with the intensified governmental development projects geared toward the hastening up of the pace of economic development throughout the country;

WHEREAS, the effective implementation of the declared programs of the government on development hinges primarily on the administrative efficiency of each and every local government unit;

WHEREAS, it has been the persistent clamor of the residents of the proposed municipality with the conformity of all the local officials of the locality, to create the proposed municipality, so as to achieve a closer supervision of the execution of the developmental programs of the area; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the proposed municipality will not only contribute greatly to the maintenance of the peace and order but will also enhance the pacification drive to restore normalcy in the area;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by the Constitution do hereby order and decree:

SECTION 1. Barangays Kianibong, Kingan, Malinao, Mimbagulung, Purug, Inodaran, Cadayonan, Sarimbar, Indolang, Tagoloan, Kolambogan, Sigayan, Kibanog, Malingen, Man-ay, Mipait, Imaon, San Olipio, Marawi, Mago-Ingud, Dagonalan, Limonsodan, Impaldao, Mama-an Pagalongan, Domalama, Baguiangan, Bayog, Buntong, Ragundang, Pikutan, Patpat, Kamadahan, Bantalan, Molobolo, Quiapo, Logisan, Gayakay, Bansayan, Kitaon, Maganding, Kalilangan, Lantud and Basigan, all in the Municipality of Kapai, Province of Lanao del Sur, are hereby detached and separated therefrom to form and constitute into a distinct and independent municipality which is hereby created to be known as the Municipality of Tagoloan without affecting in any manner the legal existence of the mother Municipality of Kapai. The seat government of the newly created municipality shall be in Barangay Tagoloan.

SEC. 2. Except as hereinafter provided, all provisions of law, now or hereafter applicable to regular Municipalities shall be applicable to the new Municipality of Tagoloan.

SEC. 3. The present elective municipal officials of the Municipality of Kapai shall continue to perform their duties as such officials in the newly created Municipality of Tagoloan until the municipal officials of said Municipality shall have been appointed by the President. Such officials so appointed shall hold office until their successors shall have been elected in the regular elections for municipal officials following the issuance of this Decree and shall have qualified, unless sooner removed at the pleasure of the President. Such appointive officers and employees as may be necessary to organize or to complete the government personnel of the Municipality of Tagoloan shall be appointed as provided for under existing laws.