EXPLANATORY NOTE

The measure is filed in recognition of the contribution of all Barangay officials including Barangay Captains and Kagawads, Secretary, Treasurers, and Lupong Tagapamayapa and all Barangay Employees including Barangay Tanods, Healthy Workers and Day Care Workers.

While our barangay workers receive honoraria and insurance coverage as mandated by Republic Act 6942, these are limited to death and burial, disability and accident benefits. Thus, this Representation is calling for the institutionalization of retirement benefits for all barangay officials and workers to be sourced from the Barangay Retirement Fund and which will be under the auspices of the Department of Interior and Local Government. Also, a bill which will increase the insurance benefits of our barangay workers and officials will be filed separately by this representation as an accompaniment to the efforts of ensuring that the right benefits and insurance are allocated to our dear barangay workers who are the front liner of our nation building.

The approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1085

Introduced by: HON. "KUYA" JOSE ANTONIO R. SY-ALVARADO

AN ACT PROVIDING ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS, A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991.

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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of Republic Act No. 7160 as amended otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 is hereby amended to read as follows.

"SECTION 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. – (a) Barangay officials, including Barangay tanods and members of the lupong tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or Barangay. Municipal or city ordinance or accordance with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than One thousand pesos (Php 1,000.00) per month for the punong barangay and six hundred pesos (Php 600.00) per month for the sangguniang barangay members, and barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary. Provided, however, that the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code.

(3) BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM. BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (Php100,000.00) TO BE TAKEN FROM THE BARANGAY RETIREMENT FUND PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A RETIREE IS AT LEAST SISTY (60) YEARS OF AGE WITH A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) YEARS IN SERVICE AT THE TIME OF THE RETIREMENT.

AS USED IN THIS SUB-SECTION, THE TERM “RETIREE” SHALL INCLUDE ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE
LUAPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS.

SECTION 2. Barangay Retirement Fund Created – There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement Fund (BRB) which shall be used to fund the retirement of barangay officials mentioned in this Act. The amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the share of the national government under Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991 shall be used for this purpose.

SECTION 3. Rules and Regulations – The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) in coordination with the DILG, shall issue the necessary rules and regulation to implement this Act.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause – all laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectively Clause – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.