EXPLANATORY NOTE

The barangay is the basic political unit in the Philippines. It is the institution that directly and readily provides immediate assistance to the people in the community level. On account of this orientation, the barangay officials, as the front-liners of government service, are expected to be ON CALL ANYTIME of the day and be able to give IMMEDIATE RESPONSE and resolutions to the needs and concerns that people encounter in their daily grind.

It is unfortunate, however, that the barangay officials’ devotion to duty and public service is not matched with commensurate incentives. As life becomes harder for the common man due to the present economic woes of the country, it becomes even more imperative to give our hardworking public servants assistance in terms of giving more reasonable honoraria to allow them to cope up during these difficult times.

This measure is a number of attempt to give dignity to the office of our barangay officials. The early approval of this bill, therefore, is respectfully and earnestly prayed for.
Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Constitution Hills, Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 1785

Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE JUMEL ANTHONY I. ESPINO

AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR MONTHLY HONORARIIUM FOR BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby granted an additional monthly honoraria of FIVE THOUSAND (P5,000.00) PESOS for the Punong Barangay, TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (P2,500.00) PESOS for the Barangay Kagawad, TWO THOUSAND (P2,000.00) for the members of the Lupong Tagapamayapa, and ONE THOUSAND (P1,000.00) PESOS for the Barangay Tanod.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the next General Appropriations Act following its enactment. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for the said purpose shall be appropriated in the Annual General appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. All laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved