AN ACT POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10632, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10656, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10923 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Date of Election. – There shall be synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections, which shall be held on July 15, 2002.

Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years thereafter.


Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the [second Monday of May 2020] FIRST MONDAY OF DECEMBER 2025 and every three (3) years thereafter."

SEC. 2. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. Assumption of Office. – The term of office of the barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials elected under this Act shall commence at noon
of June 30 next following their election: *Provided, however, That the term of office of the barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials elected in the [May 2020] December 5, 2022 elections and subsequently thereafter, shall commence at noon of [June 30] January 1 next following their election."

SEC. 3. Hold-Over. – Until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified, all incumbent barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials shall remain in office, unless sooner removed or suspended for cause: *Provided, That barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials who are *ex officio members of the sangguniang bayan, sangguniang panlungsod, or sangguniang panlalawigan, as the case may be, shall continue to serve as such members in the sanggunian concerned until the next barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections. The Liga ng mga Barangay and the Pederasyon ng Sangguniang Kabataan at the municipal, city, and provincial levels shall conduct elections for *ex officio positions in the sanggunians under the supervision of the Department of the Interior and Local Government.

SEC. 4. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be taken from the appropriations of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) under the General Appropriations Act and/or supplementary appropriations thereafter.

SEC. 5. Repealing Clause. – All other laws, acts, presidential decrees, executive orders, issuances, presidential proclamations, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are contrary to and inconsistent with any provision of this Act, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 6. Separability Clause. – If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 7. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect immediately following the completion of its publication either in the *Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,