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Introduced by Hon. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo

A RESOLUTION URGING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO PROVIDE HAZARD PAY TO ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND WORKERS WORKING AS FRONT LINERS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, since the occurrence of COVID-19 Pandemic in the Philippines, the national government implemented different types of community quarantines to avoid the spread of the virus. Despite this, essential workers have been required to report for work to ensure that basic services are still provided.

WHEREAS, the crucial role of barangay officials and workers in national crises has been highly emphasized during this difficult time. It has demonstrated the significance of their work, especially in ensuring that national programs, ranging from health promotion to case management and distribution of basic commodities, are implemented efficiently on the ground.  

WHEREAS, barangay workers, such as health workers, tanods and other barangay employees are not covered by the rules of the Civil Service Commission and are not entitled to the same benefits of regular government employees.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Circular No. 2020-1 (Guidelines on the Grant of COVID-19 Hazard Pay), local government units shall allocate funds to ensure that all barangay officials and workers, who are identified as front liners, are given hazard pay for their safety and personal health.

WHEREAS, as of filing, there are 42,046 barangays recorded in the September 2020 data of the Department of Interior and Local Government. As the basic political units of the country, all of these barangays and their workers, who

serve for the general welfare of their community members, are vital in ensuring that all groups, sectors and communities are protected from the pandemic and are reached by the government.

WHEREAS, barangay workers are also community members that need protection. Their contributions in the current fight against Covid-19 shall be acknowledged by providing them with security while they continue to carry out official tasks that require them to face the perils of the pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives urges the Local Government Units to provide hazard pay to all barangay officials and workers working as front liners during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Adopted,

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