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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 95TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 2022 – 2025 SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOOC, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON HELD AT MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON JUNE 21, 2024.

PRESENT:

HON. ISMAEL S. OSORIO JR.....	Acting Municipal Mayor
HON. PERIANO R. BERNARDO.....	Acting Municipal Vice Mayor/ Temporary Presiding Officer
HON. ADRIAN C. GAYTANO.....	SB Member
HON. MENCHIE M. GARACHICO.....	SB Member
HON. TEODULO G. TIROL JR.....	SB Member
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HON. MICHAEL P. FRANCISCO.....	SB Member
HON BENJAMIN F. GALINDEZ JR.	SB Member
HON. JOHN KENNETH S. GARCIA.....	SK Federation President
HON. JOSEFINA G. MORTEL.....	LnB President
HON. JONATHAN T. GAYTANO.....	SB Member (On Leave)

ABSENT:

NONE

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 30-2024

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION OF BARANGAY HEALTH WORKER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOOC, ROMBLON, PROVIDING FOR THEIR BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sponsor: Hon. Menchie M. Garachico

*Co-sponsors: Hon. Periano R. Bernardo, Hon. Teodulo G. Tirol, Jr,
Hon. Jonathan T. Gaytano, Hon. Michael P. Francisco*

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution provides that the state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and shall instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7883 otherwise known as “Barangay Health Workers Benefits and Incentives Act of 1995” provides for the registration, accreditation, and grant of benefits incentives to qualified Barangay Health Workers (BHW/s);

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Looc, Romblon recognizes the vital role of BHW in every barangay and aspires to promote and protect their welfare through sound and realizable policies;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit of Looc, Romblon aims to specify the authority as well as to institutionalize the benefits and incentives of Barangay Health Workers (BHW) consistent with the policies of the national government;

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Looc, Romblon in session assembled:

SECTION I. *Short Title* - This Ordinance shall be known as the "Barangay Health Workers Accreditation, Registration, Benefits and Incentives Ordinance."

SECTION II. *Definition of Terms* - the following term shall have corresponding term in this ordinance:

- a) ***Barangay Health Worker*** - refers to a person who has undergone training programs under any accredited government or non-government organization and who voluntarily renders primary health care services in the community after having been accredited to function as such by the Local Health Board with the guidelines promulgated by the Department of Health (DOH).
- b) ***Barangay Health Worker Accreditation*** - is an official acknowledgement by the local health Board of merits of BHW in meeting the standards prescribed by existing laws;
- c) ***Benefits and Incentives*** - refers to financial benefit or aid given to BHW as reward for the exemplary services rendered to the barangay;
- d) ***Voluntary Service*** - refers to health services/activities rendered by the BHW on his/her own free will responsive to the needs of the community and for which he/she has no certificate of appointment and is not given any remuneration of salary.

SECTION III. *Scope of Application* - This Ordinance shall cover all accredited and qualified BHWs who are rendering basic services in the Municipality of Looc.

SECTION IV. *Registration*- In order for BHW to be entitled to benefits and incentives provided under this Ordinance, they shall register with the Local Health Board in the Municipality. The Local Health Board, through Provincial Health Board, shall furnish a copy of such registry to the DOH, which is hereby mandated to maintain a national registry of barangay health workers. The accredited barangay health workers shall be given appropriate proof of said accreditation.

SECTION V. *Qualifications for Registration and Accreditation of BHW*

- a) At least eighteen years old and not more than 60 years old
- b) At least high school graduate
- c) Bonafide resident of the Barangay
- d) Mentally and physically fit
- e) Willing to work for an expanded period of time especially during disasters, calamities and other extreme events;
- f) Completed the basic training for Barangay Health Worker as require the Department of Health

SECTION VI . *Duties and Functions of Barangay Health Worker* - the following BHW shall perform the following task:

- a) Community Organizer
- b) Health Educator
- c) Healthcare Provider
- d) Record Keeper

SECTION VII. *Term of Office* - Barangay Officials may exercise the right of the supervision over the Barangay Health Worker in their barangay. However no Barangay Health Worker shall be removed from service by order of the barangay officials without compliance with due process or requirements of notice and hearing.

Provided, in case the Barangay Health Worker has five years of service , he/she cannot be removed from service except for valid cause and after compliance with the notice of hearing requirements; provided, further, that no Barangay Health Worker (BHW) shall be removed from service on the ground of political affiliation.

A Barangay Health Worker (BHW) may render service up to age 65 years old, as long as he/she is physically fit to carry on the tasks of BHW.

When a BHW is unable to carry on his/her tasks due to health reasons, he/she may opt to an early retirement, voluntary resignation, or a recommendation as deemed necessary by the Municipal Health Officer.

SECTION VIII. *Number of Barangay Health Workers* - The Municipal health Worker shall determine the ideal ratio of Barangay Health Workers to the number of households, provided that the total number of Barangay Health Workers shall not exceed one percent of the total population of the municipality.

SECTION IX. *Benefits and Incentives of Barangay Health Workers* - Barangay Health Workers who are actively and regularly performing their duties shall be entitled to the following incentives and benefits:

- a) Identification card duly signed by the Municipal Mayor and Municipal Health Officer. The same shall be given to BHW without cost;
- b) Barangay Health Worker Kit;
- c) Civil service Eligibility - A second grade eligibility shall be granted to BHW who have rendered five (5)years continuous service.
- d) Opportunity to attend for a seminars, conferences and trainings in other places/areas;
- e) The Municipal Government of Looc shall continue all existing programs, benefits and/or projects for BHWs, and in all other matters relating to the Barangay Health Workers not specifically provided under this ordinance.
- f) A retirement benefit may be given to a retired BHW subject to availability of funds.

The barangays are hereby encouraged to grant the same benefits and incentives for BHW assigned to their respective jurisdiction subject to availability of funds.

SECTION X. *Review by the Local Health Board* – Every incentive or benefit for BHW requiring the expenditure of local funds shall be reviewed and approved by the local health board to ensure that deserving BHWs receive the incentive or benefit.

SECTION XI. *Appropriation of Funds* – The funds necessary for the grant of additional benefits and incentives for qualified BHW shall be directly under the Municipal Health Office.

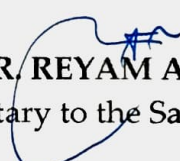
SECTION XII. *Separability Clause* – If for any reason or reasons, any part of this Ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION XIII. *Repealing Clause* – All provisions of ordinances, executive orders, or resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION XIV. *Effectivity Clause* - This Ordinance shall take effect after review and approval by the Provincial Legislative Council and posted on three (3) conspicuous places of the municipality.

Approved: 21 June 2024/ 95th Regular Session.

CERTIFIED to the correctness of the aforesaid Ordinance


ENGR. REYAM A. REYES
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. PERIANO R. BERNARDO
Acting Municipal Vice Mayor &
Temporary Presiding Officer

Concurred

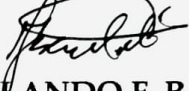
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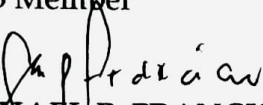
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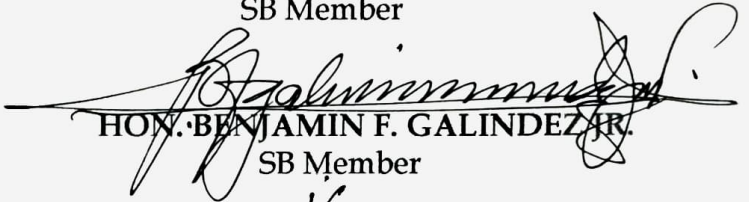

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ATTY. LISETTE M. ARBOLEDA
Municipal Mayor

Date Approved: **JUL 05 2024**