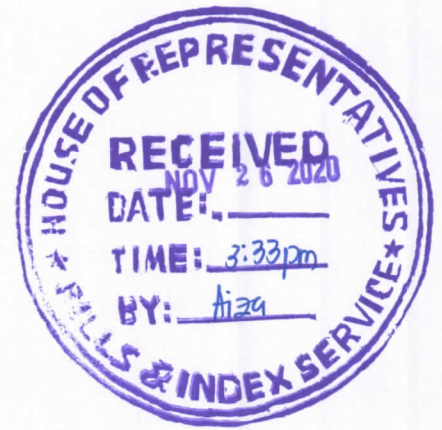




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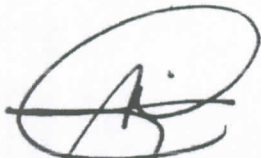
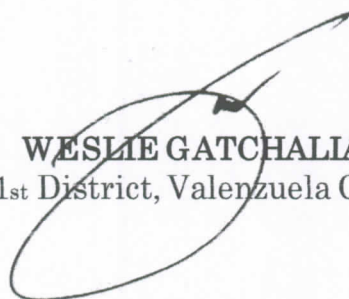
Republic Act No. 11469, otherwise known as the “Bayanihan to Heal as One Act” (BAYANIHAN 1), and Republic Act No. 11494, otherwise known as the “Bayanihan to Recover as One Act” (BAYANIHAN 2), are pieces of legislation primarily intended to, among others, contain the transmission of the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID19), manage and strengthen the healthcare system, extend assistance to the affected Filipinos and their families affected by COVID19, address the health and economic crises caused by the COVID19, and support and revitalize the Philippine economy. Both laws seek to protect Filipino lives as well as the Philippine economy, and provide the path to healing and recovery.

The report presented by the Executive Department to Congress on the implementation of both laws, more particularly, BAYANIHAN 2, showed a substantial delay in the release of the funds intended to provide assistance to the people through the various programs and activities, and projects enumerated in BAYANIHAN 2. These programs and projects are vital in the recovery path envisioned by Congress and the measures necessary to avert economic collapse.

Clearly, a delay in the release of these funds will adversely affect and hinder the implementation of the projects and programs meant to combat the effects of COVID19 and alleviate the plight of the affected Filipinos and businesses.

Undoubtedly, there is a need to extend the validity of certain appropriations made under BAYANIHAN 2, at least until the next adjournment of the Eighteenth Congress on March 27, 2021, to ensure consistent and efficient delivery of assistance to the Filipino people that will lead to the recovery of our economy.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of the bill is respectfully requested.


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**AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL
APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2020 (REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11465) AND REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 11494 (THE BAYANIHAN TO RECOVER AS ONE ACT), FOR THE
PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE AVAILABILITY OF SELECTED
APPROPRIATIONS THEREIN, AS WELL AS THE CORRESPONDING
ALLOTMENTS INTENDED TO ASSIST THE CITIZENS AND ECONOMY AND
REDUCE THE ADVERSE EFFECT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Extension of the Availability of Appropriations. – The availability of the appropriations provided under Sec. 10 of Republic Act No. 11494, otherwise known as “*Bayanihan to Recover as One Act*”, and Republic Act No. 11465, otherwise known as General Appropriations Act of 2020 (GAA 2020), including: (i) the appropriations under the GAA 2020 that were reprogrammed, reallocated or realigned from declared savings and utilized for programs and projects for COVID -19

interventions, and (ii) the automatic appropriations of new programs, projects and activity pursuant to Section 4 (rr) of R.A. No. 11494, is hereby extended until the next adjournment of the Eighteenth (18th) Congress on March 27,2021; Provided, That the use of such appropriations shall continue to be governed by the provisions of Section 4 of R.A. No.11494.

Sec. 2. Extension for Obligations of Allotment. - The released allotments covered by appropriations specified in Section 1 of this Act, shall be valid for obligations until March 27,2021, and the allotments issued which are covered by appropriations with fund sources other than the GAA as enumerated in Section 11 of R.A. No.11494, are here by extended until March 27,2021. The Department of Budget and Management shall issue a new Advice of Allotment indicating the extended validity pursuant to this Section.

Sec. 3. Extension Applicability to Local Government Units (LGUs) and Government Financial institutions (GFIs). -The release of funds to the LGUs and GFIs for their respective programs, projects and activities enumerated in Section 10 of R.A. No. 11494 is hereby extended until March 27, 2021: *Provided*, That said allocated funds shall continue to be available for obligations and disbursements until the intended purpose of such allotment shall have been completed.

Sec. 4. Allotment Releases from the Stand by Fund. – The release of allotment covered by the Standby Fund provided in Secs. 10 and 11 of R.A. No.11494 is extended until December 31, 2020, subject to the fulfilment of the conditions stipulated thereunder: *Provided*, That said allotments shall be available for obligations until March 27, 2021.

Sec.5. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The Department of Budget and Management, in consultation with the relevant implementing agencies, shall

formulate the guidelines, rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act within fifteen (15) days after the effectivity of this Act.

Sec.6. Repealing Clause. – Any provision of any law, including R.A. Nos. 11465 and 11494, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, rule or regulation, which is contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is here by repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Sec.7. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately upon its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation or in the *Official Gazette*.

Approved