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HOUSE BILL NO. 4130



INTRODUCED BY REP. HARRIS CHRISTOPHER M. ONGCHUAN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In each barangays, there are government trained and competent barangay health workers who help in the dissemination of health safety protocols, as well as ensuring the presence of healthcare in their community. During the COVID-19, their efforts were invaluable as they served as our first line of defense towards preventing a more massive outbreak of the pandemic in the country.

The measure seeks to recognize their efforts by declaring the seventh day of April of every year as Barangay Health Workers' Day. It also proposes that different local government units and agencies hold a simple celebration and ceremony to recognize their efforts and accomplishments.

Versions of the measure were filed by Representatives Co, Villanueva, and Oaminal in the 18th Congress. It was thereafter approved by the House on Third Reading and was transmitted to the Senate.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of the bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
DECLARING APRIL 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS
DAY TO BE KNOWN AS BHW DAY

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

SECTION 1. April 7 of every year is hereby declared as Barangay Health Workers Day to be known as “BHW Day”.

SECTION 2. The Department of Health (DOH), in cooperation with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and all local government units are hereby enjoined to hold simple ceremonies or activities to highlight the indispensable role of Barangay Health Workers (BHWs).

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.