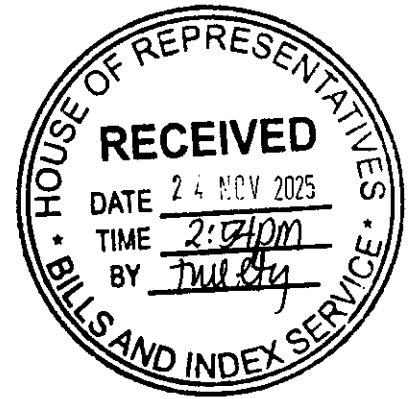


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It will be noted that among the elected officials in the land, it is only the Barangay Kagawads that have no authorization in R.A 7160 or the Local Government Code to organize their own association.

It is true that the Barangay Captains may already represent the concerns and interests of the Barangay Kagawads in the Liga Ng Mga Barangay (for the Barangay Captains). It will be noted however that the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) is also part of the organizational structure of a barangay, and yet, the SKs under their own charter, are authorized to have their own association or federation.

This loophole in the Local Government Code, has encouraged the barangay kagawads to establish their own association known as the "Association of Barangay Kagawads (ABAKA)." However, unlike the association of the Governors, Vice Governors, the various Sanggunians, Punong Barangays and SKs, the ABAKA can only be treated as a people's organization, since it is not sanctioned by RA 7160.

It is now timely and appropriate to accord the said barangay kagawads their own association that is authorized by law, to make them feel as an acknowledge partners in nation-building especially at the grassroots level.


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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* This Act shall be known as the "Liga Ng Mga Barangay Kagawad."

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* It is the policy of the State to allow the establishment and organization of leagues at the grassroots level to function as an avenue for the barangay officials concerned to express their collective interests and contribute to local government policies and development.

SECTION 3. *Authorization to Organize League.* The Barangay Kagawads are hereby authorized to establish and organize their own association to be known as the "Liga Ng Mga Barangay Kagawads."

SECTION 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* Within Six (6) months from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall formulate and promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 5. *Appropriation.* The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be changed to the current appropriation of the DILG. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause.* All laws, rules and regulations that are inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect Fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation.