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TENTH CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON BARANGAY AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE ON RULES, LAWS AND ETHICS

Committee Report No. 55-10-2026
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Submitted by:

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SUBJECT

A Resolution Expressing Strong Support of the 10th City Council of Tuguegarao City for the Passage of the House Bill No. 3533, otherwise known as "An Act Establishing the Magna Carta for Barangays" and Senate Bill No. 178, otherwise known as the "Magna Carta for Barangays Act of 2025", and urging the 20th Congress of the Philippines to enact the same.

FOR THE PRESIDING OFFICER / ACTION TAKEN

The members of the Committee on Barangay Affairs and the Committee on Rules, Laws, and Ethics convened on February 19, 2026, at 9:40AM at the SP Session Hall to discuss and deliberate on the above-cited matter referred to their respective committees. After through deliberation, the committees reached a consensus to inform the body of their findings and recommendations.

FINDINGS:

1. The barangays, as institutionalized under the Local Government Code of 1991, remain the most accessible and frontline units of government, carrying substantial responsibilities in maintaining peace and order, delivering basic social services, implementing national and local policies, and facilitating community development

2. Despite the breadth and critical nature of these functions, barangay officials continue to operate under conditions marked by uncertainty in compensation, limited access to standardized benefits, and the absence of long-term employment security.

3. There is a clear disparity between the scope of duties performed by barangay officials and the institutional support afforded to them.

4. Their services is still perceived as largely voluntary or honorarium-based, notwithstanding the full-time demands and administrative burdens attached to their roles.

5. Their structural gap undermines morale, affects continuity in public service, and potentially weakens governance at the grassroot level.

6. The legislative measures such as House Bill No. 3553, principally authored by Faustino 'Bojie' G. Dy III, seek to address these concerns by formally recognizing barangay officials as regular government employees entitled to fixed salaries, insurance coverage, medical and dental benefits, retirement benefits, and other employment privileges commensurate with their public functions.

7.Complementing the House Bill Bo.3533, Senator Bong Go, authored Senate Bill No. 178, that aims to provide a Magna Carta for Barangays to strengthened barangay governance, enhancing fiscal autonomy, and empowering grassroots leadership but it is still currently pending in the senate committee.

8. The analysis indicates that the proposed Magna Carta for Barangay officials represent a significant reform in local governance, potentially the most substantial since the enactment of the Local Government Code of 1991.

9. If institutionalizes, the measure is expected to provide clear legal recognition, standardized compensation, and social protection mechanism that affirms the dignity, security, and stability of barangay officials. Ultimately, strengthening the welfare of barangay officials is likely to translate into more responsive, accountable, and sustainable public service delivery at the community level.

RECOMMENDATION:

After a thorough discussion, the Committees favorably recommends for the approval of the ***Resolution Expressing Strong Support of the 10th City Council of Tuguegarao City for the Passage of the House Bill No.3533, otherwise known as "An Act Establishing the Magna Carta for the Barangays" and Senate Bill No.178, otherwise known as the Magna Carta for the Barangays Act of 2025", and Urging the 20th Congress of the Philippines to enact the*** same.

The committee further recommend that in addition to the city resolution that will be passed, all the barangays enact a separate barangay resolution expressing their strong support for the passage of the same.

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