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# A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT OF THE 10TH CITY COUNCIL OF TUGUEGARAO CITY FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE HOUSE BILL NO. 3533 AND SENATE BILL NO. 178, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'MAGNA CARTA FOR BARANGAYS,' AND URGING THE 20TH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES TO ENACT THE SAME

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**WHEREAS,** barangays are the basic political units of the Republic of the Philippines and serve as the primary planning and implementing units of government policies, programs, projects, and activities at the grassroots level;

**WHEREAS,** barangay officials consisting of the Punong Barangay, Sangguniang Barangay Members, Barangay Secretary and Barangay Treasurer, perform indispensable public functions essential to peace and order, social welfare, public service delivery and local governance in the barangay level;

**WHEREAS,** despite the magnitude of their responsibilities, the legal status, compensation, benefits and long-term security of barangay officials remain unclear, and their services are often still regarded as voluntary in nature;

**WHEREAS,** House Bill No. 3533, otherwise known as the "Magna Carta for Barangays," authored by Rep. Faustino 'Bojie' G. Dy III, seeks to formally recognize barangay officials as regular government employees entitled to fixed salaries, insurance, medical and dental coverage, retirement benefits and other privileges consistent with their public service;

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill No. 178, authored by Sen. Christopher Lawrence "Bong" T. Go, complements the House Bill in providing comprehensive reforms to strengthen the role of barangay officials in governance, ensuring adequate support and recognition for their critical functions;

**WHEREAS,** the proposed Magna Carta further ensures the delivery of basic services at the barangay level, strengthens barangay fiscal autonomy, promotes human capital development and economic empowerment, and directs local government units to provide assistance to promote economic self-reliance at the grassroots level;

**WHEREAS,** if enacted, the Magna Carta for Barangays will constitute the most comprehensive reform in local governance since the enactment of the Local

Government Code of 1991and will firmly establish barangay officials as vital pillars of public service;

**NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE** as it is hereby **BEING RESOLVED**, to express the 10th Tuguegarao City Council's full and unequivocal support for the immediate passage of the proposed Magna Carta for Barangays in the Congress of the Philippines;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the 10th Tuguegarao City Council respectfully urges the Senate and the House of Representatives to expedite the enactment of this landmark legislation in recognition of the invaluable contributions of barangay officials nationwide;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate of the Philippines, the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the Department of Budget and Management and the Liga ng mga Barangay, for their information and appropriate action.