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RESOLUTION NO. 12
SERIES 2024

"A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ENACTMENT OF THE HOUSE BILL NO. 7778 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1518, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PUBLIC DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT WORKERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE"

WHEREAS, Section 18, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that is the duty of the State to protect the rights of workers and promote their welfare;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10121 otherwise known as Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010" provides that it is the policy of the state to uphold the people's constitutional rights to life and property by addressing the root causes of vulnerabilities to disasters, strengthening the country's institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management and building the resilience of local communities to disasters including climate change impacts;

WHEREAS, Section 12 of the said law, mandates that in every province, city and municipality, there should be an established Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, as well as a Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Committee (BDRRMC) in every barangay which shall be responsible for setting the direction, development, implementation and coordination of disaster risk management programs within their territorial jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, since the enactment of RA No. 10121, Local Government Units had established their respective DRRM Office and employed Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Workers who are responsible in developing programs and activities, conduct research and planning on disaster risk reduction and management in the community;

WHEREAS, the recent COVID 19 pandemic and the series of man made and natural disasters led to a more intensified performance of DRRM workers' duties and responsibilities as frontliners, wherein some even risked their lives just to rescue and save people during disasters;

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WHEREAS, at present DRRM workers, even with their perilous nature of job are not given hazard pay benefits. Considering their significant role during the pandemic as well as the occurrence of natural disasters such as earthquake and flooding, the House of Representatives through Hon. Gus Tambunting of Paranaque and Senator Ramon Revilla Jr. introduced House Bill No. 7778 and Senate Bill 1518 which is a proposed Act providing Magna Carta for Public Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Workers. The proposed bills aim to promote the socioeconomic and psychological well-being of public DRMM workers, as well as improve working conditions and to further develop their skills and capabilities, for a more effective and efficient delivery of public service;

WHEREAS, the said proposed law shall provide the DRRM Workers additional compensation such as hazard allowance, subsistence allowance communication expenses, longevity pay, laundry and quarters allowance;

WHEREAS, considering the importance of the role of DRRM workers in the delivery of services for the safety of the public and general welfare, the Municipal Government of San Vicente through this legislation manifest its support to the enactment of the proposed House Bill No. 7778 and Senate Bill 1528;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of San Vicente strongly believes that the approval of the proposed laws will not only provide additional benefits and compensation to the DRRM workers but shall also strengthen their capabilities in the more effective and efficient performance of their duties, leading to the better delivery of a more responsive DRRM services for the constituents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Bayan in session duly assembled to approve a Resolution Endorsing the Enactment of House Bill No. 7778 and Senate Bill No. 1528, otherwise known as "An Act Providing for the Magna Carta for Public Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Workers and Appropriating Funds Therefore".

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the House of Representatives and the Philippine Senate for their information.

APPROVED this **19th** day of **March 2024** at the Sangguniang Bayan Session Hall, San Vicente, Ilocos Sur.

Certified Correct:

MARIUS CLIFFORD R. BILLEDO
SB Secretary

ATTESTED:

JOSE C. TABANDA III
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

JONAN D. TABANDA
Municipal Mayor

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