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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE BARANGAY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT APPROACH FOR NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT OF THE RURAL POOR AS A LINKAGE PROGRAM FOR ALL STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "Barangay Integrated
 Development Approach for Nutrition Improvement (BIDANI) Act".

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SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the State to recognize nutrition as a basic human right that shall be promoted as a public good and a public concern that can be satisfactory achieved through multi-sectoral support and cooperation. To this end, the State shall vigorously work towards the provision of the nutritional needs of the poor and vulnerable especially in the rural areas, and give utmost support to programs and projects that are responsive to the health needs of the Filipino people.

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12 SEC. 3. *Objectives.* – This Act shall have the following objectives:

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(a) To encourage the cooperation and participation of academic institutions and
 local government units (LGUs) in promoting the nutritional well-being of the
 people;

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(b) To develop among state universities and colleges (SUCs), and community
 colleges an effective research-action network program that will improve the
 nutrition and general well-being of the rural poor; and

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(c) To improve the nutritional well-being of the poor in the rural areas in order
to enhance their health and productivity.

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25 SEC. 4. The Barangay Integrated Development Approach for Nutrition 26 Improvement Program. – The Barangay Integrated Development Approach for 27 Nutrition Improvement (BIDANI) is established as a comprehensive nutrition-in-28 development action research program of the state universities and colleges (SUCs) 29 and community colleges in support of the health and nutrition program of the national government and local government units (LGUs) whose target beneficiaries
 are the rural poor.

It is a comprehensive model for building the capacity of LGUs to integrate nutrition concerns in countryside development programs that supports the implementation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) to combat malnutrition, food and nutrition insecurity, social deprivation, and poverty alleviation.

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10 SEC. 5. *Program Goals.* – The BIDANI Program shall promote nutrition-in-11 development through community and other stakeholders' participation in an 12 integrated management system facilitated by SUCs. The Program shall:

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 (a) Require all SUCs and community colleges to assist the government in achieving the nutrition targets of the PPAN;

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(b) Engage the SUCs and community colleges in the conduct of training and
capacity-building activities for all BIDANI stakeholders on the BIDANI
strategies and innovative practices to ensure that in-planning nutrition shall
be integrated in all areas of local governance;

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(c) Promote the best nutrition-in-development practices of successful LGUs
 through the participation of local nutrition management teams; and

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(d) Build partnerships among SUCs, community colleges, and other stakeholders
to support the citizenry towards self-help and self-reliance; encourage citizen
action through the involvement of various stakeholders; and coordinate with
government organizations (GOs), non-government organizations (NGOs),
private organizations (POs) and other private sector groups in linking the
community with existing resources.

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SEC. 6. BIDANI Structural/Organizational Linkages. – The BIDANI partners
 and stakeholders shall work at different levels, as follows:

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(a) State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), and Community Colleges' 4 Partnership with SUCs shall be formalized through an execution of a 5 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the University of the 6 Philippines-Los Baños (UPLB), the national coordinator of the BIDANI 7 Program, represented by its Chancellor, and the President of the concerned 8 SUCs or community colleges. Upon approval of the MOA, the BIDANI 9 Program shall be operationalized under the Office of the Vice President for 10 Research and Extension (OVPRE) of the partner SUC or community college. 11 A BIDANI SUC or community college will then choose and coordinate with its 12 partner LGU; 13

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(b) City or Municipal Local Government Units - The implementation of the 15 BIDANI as a development strategy shall commence upon the approval by the 16 city or municipality of the nutrition plans formulated by the participating 17 SUC or community college concerned through a city or municipality 18 19 resolution. Each city or municipality shall then create a City or Municipal organization, such as a committee composed of heads and representatives of 20 different city or municipal line agencies, that shall be responsible for the 21 implementation, monitoring, evaluation and replication of the BIDANI 22 23 strategy in the locality;

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(c) Barangay Units – The realization of the BIDANI as a development strategy
shall be accomplished at the barangay level. The membership of each
Barangay Development Councils (BDC) shall be expanded and the BDC shall
hereinafter be called the Program Planning and Implementing Committee.
The Committee shall be composed of representatives from the Sangguniang
Barangay, BDC, the various purok in the barangay and other community

leaders who shall be trained on the BIDANI strategy to ensure that the processes for planning and management of development programs, projects and activities will be participative and responsive to the needs of the residents of the barangay; and

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(d) Other Stakeholders – The participation and inputs of the NGOs, POs, other government agencies and offices, shall be sought in the formulation of plans by the members of the barangay.

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SEC. 7. BIDANI Innovative Strategies. - To facilitate the local implementation
 of the BIDANI, the Program shall be implemented using the following innovative
 strategies:

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(a) Formulation of the Barangay Integrated Development Plan (BIDP) - Upon
approval of this Act, each barangay shall formulate its BIDP which shall
include the barangay's plans and programs relative to nutrition, and which
shall be integrated into the municipal development plan;

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(b) Updating of the Existing Barangay Management Information System
(BMIS) – As part of its research activities, the concerned SUC or community
college shall continue to update its' existing people-based information system
which shall focus on the identification of the needs of the barangay through
efficient and effective data collection. The data shall be the basis for program
planning, management and implementation of various projects and activities
in the barangay; and

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(c) Implementation of the Participative Nutrition Enhancement Approach
(PNEA) – The National Nutrition Council (NNC), and participating SUCs
and community colleges shall utilize the life cycle approach in the
formulation of food production policies and programs, and promote market-

driven livelihood activities among the households to prevent malnutrition among preschool children and nutritionally-at-risk families. 13

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SEC. 8. Appropriations. - The amount necessary for the implementation of the
BIDANI linkage program shall be included in the budget of the participating SUCs
or community college, in the annual General Appropriations Act. The LGUs shall
provide funding to the participating community colleges for the implementation of
the BIDANI linkage program.

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10 Participating SUCs and community colleges may also receive grants, 11 donations, and other forms of financial support from foreign and local persons, 12 institutions, and governments for the implementation of the BIIDANI linkage 13 program.

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15 In addition, the income generated by participating SUCs or community 16 colleges may also be used to augment the fund for the BIDANI Linkage Program.

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18 SEC. 9. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within sixty (60) days from the 19 approval of this Act, the UPLB-BIDANI shall, in coordination with the National 20 Nutrition Council (NNC) and the participating SUCs and community colleges 21 prepare and issue the necessary rules and regulations for its effective 22 implementation.

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SEC. 10. Separability Clause. – If any portion or provision of this Act is declared
unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby
shall remain in full force and effect.

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SEC. 11. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and
regulations, other issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this
Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 12. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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