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Explanatory Note

Education is universally recognized as one of the most fundamental building blocks for human development and poverty reduction. The goal of which is to provide children with the skills, knowledge and values they need to become caring, self-reliant, productive and patriotic citizens.

Republic Act No. 9155 otherwise known as the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001" states that it is the policy of the state to make basic education accessible to all by providing all Filipino children a free and compulsory education in the elementary level. Elementary schooling is compulsory, but some Filipinos of the relevant age group do not attend, usually due to absence of any school in their area.

The school, being the heart of the formal education system and the seat of learning, must be provided to those who substantially need it. It is the vehicle by which the teaching and learning of national values, love of country and pride in its rich heritage, among other things, take place.

Barangay Banay-banay 1.0 is the largest and the most populated barangay in the Municipality of San Jose, Batangas with about one thousand (1,000) elementary school-age-children. At present, the students are taking elementary school education in Padre Imo Luna Memorial Elementary School (PILMES) located in Poblacion, San Jose, Batangas, which is roughly 3 kilometers away from Barangay Banay-banay 1.0.

The establishment of an elementary school in Barangay Banay-banay 1.0 in the Municipality of San Jose, Province of Batangas, to be known as the Banay-banay 1.0 Elementary School is pursued to grant the request of parents and students to have an elementary school in the area. This will relieve the parents and residents of the said barangay from worries on the safety of their children and the expenses they incur in commuting to school.

In this light, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BANAY-BANAY 1.0, SAN JOSE, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO BE KNOWN AS BANAY-BANAY 1.0 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE.

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

1 **SECTION 1. *Establishment of an Elementary School.*** - There is hereby established, under
2 the supervision of the Department of Education, an Elementary School in Barangay Banay-banay
3 1.0, Municipality of San Jose, Province of Batangas, to be known as Banay-banay 1.0
4 Elementary School.

5 **SEC 2. *Appropriations.*** - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the
6 Department's program the operation of Banay-banay 1.0 Elementary School, the funding of
7 which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

8 **SEC 3. *Implementation.*** - The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and
9 regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

10 **SEC 4. *Effectivity.*** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
11 *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,