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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our Constitution mandates the States to promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions and amateur sports, training for international competitions to foster self-discipline, teamwork and excellence for the development of a healthy alert citizenry.

The collective health of the people affects to a great extent the success of its overall socio-economic development. The state of health and mental fitness of every person is the controlling factor on the ability to take advantage of education, technical capabilities and business entrepreneurship. One method of maintaining our physical and mental health condition is by involving our citizens in physical fitness activities and sports program.

In this regard, this bill seeks the establishment of community fitness center in every barangay nationwide, which will serve as a venue for physical fitness, wellness program and sports activities of all the residents of the barangay.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established, under the supervision of the municipal and city
2 health officer, a community fitness center in every barangay nationwide. This community
3 fitness center shall provide physical fitness program, trainings and sports activities. It shall
4 likewise provide free seminars to would be physical fitness leaders and trainers in the
5 barangay.

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7 **SEC. 2.** The municipal or city mayor shall, upon the recommendation of the local health
8 board of the municipality or city where the center is located, appoint one full time fitness
9 instructor who will manage the center.

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11 **SEC. 3.** The fitness instructor, appointed to be the manager of the center, shall receive a
12 monthly compensation of not less than Ten Thousand (P 10,000.00) pesos to be charged to
13 the annual appropriations of the Municipal or City Health office where the center is located.

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15 **SEC. 4.** The fitness instructor shall perform the following functions:

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17 a) Formulate criteria for the selection of qualified individuals for training accreditation
18 as volunteer physical fitness instructor in the center;
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20 b) Introduce and implement, upon approval by the Sangguniang Barangay, various
21 physical fitness and sports competitions within the barangay;
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23 c) Conduct consultations with the residents of the barangay in identifying any physical
24 fitness activity and sports program that shall be implemented by the centers;
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1 d) Oversee and ensure the continuous and effective implementation of the physical
2 fitness activities and sports program undertaken by the center;

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4 e) Disseminate proper information on the policy and objective of their physical fitness
5 and sports activities to encourage the active participation of the residents.

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7 **SEC. 5.** The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged to
8 the appropriations of the Department of Interior and Local Government. Thereafter, such sum
9 as may be necessary for the continued operations and maintenance of the community fitness
10 centers shall be included in the annual budget of the city or municipality where the
11 community fitness center is located.

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13 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
14 *Gazette* and in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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18 *Approved,*