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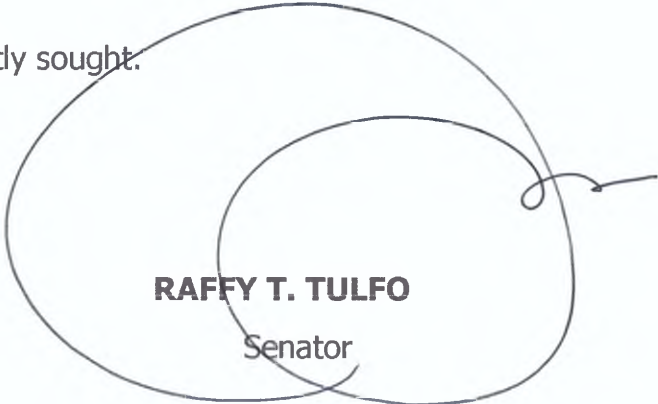
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our country's labor force participation rate increased to 64.5%, however, the unemployment rate also increased to 4.8 % in January 2023. According to the Philippine Statistics Authority, as of June 2020, there are 42, 046 barangays in the country. It is imperative that jobs opportunities are made easier to the professional and skilled local workers. Hence, this proposed bill aims to mandate all barangays to create and maintain a registry of professional and skilled workers in their jurisdiction. Furthermore, the proposed bill aims to protect both the consumers and the worker against fraudulent transactions.

The passage of this measure is thus earnestly sought.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as "The Barangay Skilled Workers
2 Registry Act of 2023"
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5 SEC. 2. Definition of Terms. - As used in this Act:
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7 (a) Barangay refers to the smallest political unit into which cities and municipalities in
8 the Philippines are divided in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government
9 Code of the Philippines.

1 (b) Skilled workers refers to persons who regularly perform jobs that cater to household
2 needs which usually involve the use of physical strength or skills such as plumbers,
3 carpenters and electricians. The skilled workers referred hereto shall in no case be limited
4 to holders of national certificates issued by the Technical Education and Skills
5 Development Authority (TESDA).

6 (c) Barangay skilled workers registry refers to the database of all skilled workers who
7 have registered information on their skills and qualifications at the barangays where they
8 reside to make their services readily available.

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10 SEC. 3. The Barangay Skilled Workers Registry. - Every barangay shall create and make
11 public a registry that will serve as a database for all skilled workers who voluntarily
12 register and are willing to make their services available in the locality. These skilled
13 workers need to be residents of the barangay concerned. In addition, the barangay shall
14 be responsible for disseminating information on how skilled workers may include details
15 of their skills and qualifications in the said registry.

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17 SEC. 4. Contents of the Registry. - All skilled workers who want their names included in
18 the skilled workers registry shall provide the following details or information, to be
19 disclosed and made readily available to the public:

- 20 (a) Name of the skilled worker;
- 21 (b) Address;
- 22 (c) Contact details;
- 23 (d) Skills and nature of jobs or services offered;
- 24 (e) TESDA National Certificate number and expiration date, if any or any other seminar
25 or training attended relevant to the services offered;
- 26 (f) Photocopies of at least two (2) government-issued identity documents (IDs); and
- 27 (g) Any other detail which the barangay deems necessary.

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1 SEC. 5. Access to the Registry. - The barangay shall make the registry available to the
2 public by posting a copy at the barangay's bulletin board or at a conspicuous place within
3 the barangay hall. The same database may also be accessed by the public online should
4 the barangay have its own website.

5 Any person may obtain or request a copy of the database in part or in whole by submitting
6 a request in the form prescribed by the barangay. The barangay officer or employee
7 having custody over the registry shall act on the request immediately upon receipt of the
8 same.

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10 SEC. 6. Prohibition on Collection of Registration Fees. - The inclusion of a skilled worker's
11 name and corresponding details in the registry shall be free from any fee similar to or
12 would partake in the nature of registration fees. However, constituents who request for
13 a copy of the database may be charged a reasonable fee that would cover the actual cost
14 of printing or photocopying of the information requested.

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16 If the barangay decides to issue an ID pertaining to the skilled worker and the latter
17 agrees to avail of one, the barangay may collect a reasonable fee that would cover the
18 actual cost of the production of the ID. The ID shall only contain pertinent information
19 about the skilled worker such as photo, name, address, contact details, skills and nature
20 of jobs or services offered, and the TESDA National Certificate number and expiration
21 date, if any. The same shall be in the nature of a government-issued ID. The barangay
22 or any other person is prohibited from including logos, slogans and photos that are
23 political in nature.

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25 SEC. 7. Annual Updating of the Registry. - The barangay shall update the registry of
26 skilled workers at the beginning of every year. This is without prejudice to the right of
27 skilled workers to request the barangay to immediately reflect any significant change in
28 any of the information required under Section 4 of this Act.

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1 SEC. 8. Separability Clause. - If any provision of this Act or any part hereof be declared
2 unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the other provisions
3 of this Act.

4 SEC 9. Repealing Clause. - SEC. 9. Repealing Clause. - All laws, decrees, orders, rules
5 and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are
6 hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

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8 SEC. 10. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
9 the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,