RESOLUTION EMBODYING PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2015-117, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, this ordinance is designed, among others, to ensure the continuity of the benefits and incentives which have been availed by the Barangay Day Care Workers for already a number of years and to grant additional benefits and incentives so as to motivate them to sustain and, if necessary, improve further their worth-recognizing performances and services;

WHEREAS, the said ordinance is valid pursuant to Section 468 (a) (1) (xi) and (2) (i) (Powers, Duties, Functions and Compensation) of Republic Act 7160;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of the Honorable June S. Mondejar, Floor Leader and sponsor of this ordinance, which was duly seconded;

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby Resolved, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan ng Iloilo to enact the following provincial ordinance:

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 2015 – 117

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Sec. 1. Short Title. – This Ordinance shall be known as the “Barangay Day Care Workers’ Benefits and Incentives Ordinance of 2015”.

Sec. 2. Declaration of Policy. – It is the policy of the Province to provide quality education to all children and adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to Day Care Service Programs which shall endeavor to make Day Care Services available to all 3 years old to 4 years and 11 months old children. It shall then be its declared policy to promote and improve the social well-being and welfare of the Barangay Day Care Workers who are at the forefront of the said programs at the grassroots level.
Towards this end, the Province shall adopt policies that will guarantee enhanced quality of life of the Barangay Day Care Workers.

Sec. 3. Purpose. — This ordinance aims to ensure the continuity of the benefits and incentives which have been availed by the Barangay Day Care Workers for already a number of years and to grant additional benefits and incentives to motivate them to sustain and, if necessary, improve further their performances and services.

Sec. 4. Definition of Terms. —

a.) Barangay Day Care Worker (BDCW) — refers to a barangay-based worker appointed by the Punong Barangay and registered by the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer through the Municipal Social Welfare Development Officer, has undergone the required training, in accordance with law and regulations, and responsible for the conduct of Day Care Sessions and implementation of the other Day Care Service Programs.

b.) Registered BDCW — refers to Barangay Day Care Worker who has undergone one (1) year of volunteer service and registered by the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer.

c.) BDCWs’ Registry/Masterlist — refers to the list of all registered BDCWs to be maintained and regularly updated by Provincial Social Welfare Development Officer through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer.

Sec. 5. Coverage. — This ordinance shall cover all registered Barangay Day Care Workers in the Province of Iloilo who voluntarily render Day Care Services for at least one (1) year.

Sec. 6. Number of Barangay Day Care Workers. — There shall be provided at least one (1) BDCW in every barangay throughout the Province of Iloilo. The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer, in coordination with the concerned Punong Barangay, shall determine the ideal ratio of the BDCW to the number of 3 years old to 4 years and 11 months old children. As far as practicable, the BDCW should be assigned to the barangay where he/she is residing.

Sec. 7. Registration. — In order that BDCWs shall be entitled to the benefits and incentives provided under this ordinance, they shall register with the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office, through the Municipal/City Social Welfare and Development Office, which is hereby mandated to maintain a provincial registry/masterlist of all BDCWs in the Province. An official identification Card duly signed by the Mayor or by the Governor and included in the official registry/masterlist of registered BDCWs are deemed appropriate proof of registration.

Sec. 8. Incentives and Benefits. — In recognition of their services, all registered BDCWs who are actively and regularly performing their duties as certified by the MSWDO shall be entitled to the benefits and incentives, as follows:

1.) PHILHEALTH Insurance Coverage — All registered Barangay Day Care Workers shall be enrolled in the National Health Insurance program through the Point of Care or Sponsorship Scheme for them to receive and avail of an adequate package of personal health services that must include in-patient hospital care, out-patient care, emergency and transfer services, and also other supplementary health benefits as may be defined by the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHIC). The premium contribution shall be borne by the Provincial Government.

2.) Medical Examination — medical examination in any hospital owned and managed by Iloilo Provincial Government as a requirement for registration or renewal of registration shall be provided free of charge to all registered Barangay Day Care Workers as long as the BDCWs are still rendering services in their respective barangays.

3.) Medical and Dental Benefits — Registered BDCWs shall be entitled to a fifty percent (50%) discount to the remaining balance, after the application of Section 8 (1), on all charges in any hospitals and medical facilities owned, operated and maintained by the Iloilo Provincial Government, without prejudice to Provincial Ordinance No. 2012-096 also known as the “Senior Citizen Ordinance of 2012”.

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4.) **Free Legal Assistance** – Free legal representation and consultation services shall likewise be available for all registered Barangay Day Care Workers by the Provincial Legal Office for any legal problems encountered in line with the performance of their duties and functions as BDCWs.

5.) **Financial Assistance** – Registered Barangay Day Care Workers shall receive financial assistance of not less than Php3,500.00 from the Provincial Government every December of every year. The specific date, time and place where to receive the allowance shall be on discretion of the Governor.

6.) **Loyalty Incentive** – Accredited Barangay Day Care Workers who have rendered cumulative service for the following number of years shall be correspondingly entitled to a certificate of recognition, duly signed by the Governor, Vice Governor and the Chairperson of the Committee on Social Welfare, Housing, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities, and monetary incentive, subject to the availability of fund, as follows:
   a. 10 years --------------- Php1,000.00 and Certificate of Recognition
   b. 20 years --------------- Php2,000.00 and Certificate of Recognition
   c. 30 years --------------- Php3,000.00 and Certificate of Recognition
   d. 40 years --------------- Php4,000.00 and Certificate of Recognition

   The length of cumulative service shall be reckoned from the day the volunteer was registered by the Provincial Health Office. This particular benefit shall be given by the Governor or his duly authorized representative during the BDCWs' Annual Convention.

7.) **Assistance to Indigents in Crisis Situation** – Registered Barangay Day Care Workers who are qualified to avail Assistance to Indigents in Crisis Situation shall be entitled to receive this assistance of not less than Php2,500.00 through the Provincial Social Welfare Development Office.

8.) **Use of Government Facilities** – Barangay Day Care Workers shall be allowed to use for official purpose and free of charge, structures and other similar facilities owned, operated and maintained by Iloilo Provincial Government.

9.) **BDCWs' Convention** – There shall be an annual convention of all BDCWs in the Province of Iloilo known as BDCWs' Convention where they will learn from the messages and lectures of the invited guests and lecturers respectively. This also serves as a forum where success stories and worth-sharing innovations are shared. The provincial government shall provide the necessary financial assistance for the realization of this annual conference.

Sec. 9. **Review by the Provincial Social Welfare Development Office (PSWDO).** – Every incentive or benefit for Barangay Day Care Workers requiring expenditure of provincial government fund shall be reviewed and approved by the PSWDO to ensure that only the deserving Barangay Day Care Workers get the same.

Sec. 10. **Appropriation.** – The amount necessary to carry out provisions of this Ordinance, following its enactment, shall be included in the ensuing Appropriation Ordinance embodying annual or supplemental budget and every year thereafter the same shall be included in the annual budget of the Provincial Government.

Sec. 11. **Implementing Rules.** – The Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, in coordination with the Chairman of the Committee on Social Welfare, Housing, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the sponsor of this ordinance and representatives from the Provincial Federation of Barangay Day Care Workers, shall formulate, within sixty (60) days from its effectivity, the rules necessary to implement this Ordinance.

SEC.12. **Separability Clause.** – If any provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remainder of any provision hereof not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SEC.13. **Repealing Clause.** – All ordinances, executive orders, issuances including rules and regulations inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SEC.14. **Effectivity.** – This Ordinance shall take effect at the end of its posting in a conspicuous place in the Provincial Capitol and in forty-two (42) municipalities and one (1) component city in the Province for a minimum period of three (3) consecutive weeks.
RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this Resolution, the Governor, Hon. Arthur D. Defensor, Sr.; the Barangay Day Care Workers Provincial Federation President and all BDCW Municipal/City Presidents of the municipalities and one component city; the Offices of the Provincial Legal Officer, the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, the Provincial Treasurer, the Provincial Budget Officer, the Provincial Accountant, and the Provincial Auditor; and the Honorable June S. Mondejar, Chairperson, Committee on Social Welfare, Housing, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disability, all of the Province of Iloilo, for their information and reference;

APPROVED."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Resolution.

CONCURRED BY:

JUNE S. MONDEJAR
Floor Leader

ATTESTED BY:

Raul ‘Boboy’ C. Tupas
Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

ARThUR D. DEFENSOR, Sr.
Governor