

### Republic of the Philippines Province of Bulacan

### MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR





#### EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 059 - 2024

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY
NUTRITION PROGRAM THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS (BNS), ALSO KNOWN AS
LINGKOD LINGAP SA NAYON (LLN), PROGRAM IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 1569, also known as the Barangay Nutrition Program Law, mandates the deployment of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS), also acknowledged in the Province of Bulacan as Lingkod Lingap sa Nayon (LLN), in every barangay to deliver essential nutrition and health-related services and promote proper nutrition within the community;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Santa Maria recognizes the need to strengthen local initiatives that address malnutrition and promote public health through comprehensive and sustainable nutrition programs;

WHEREAS, the active participation of Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS), supported by organized local training teams and adequate resources, is essential to ensure the effective implementation of community-based nutrition programs;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS**, Municipal Mayor of Santa Maria, Bulacan, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

**SECTION 1. STRENGTHENING THE BARANGAY NUTRITION PROGRAM.** The Barangay Nutrition Program in Santa Maria shall be implemented in all barangays under the guidance and supervision of the Municipal Nutrition Office. Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS), also known as Lingkod Lingap sa Nayon (LLN), shall be designated to serve as community-based nutrition advocates.

**SECTION 2. LOCAL LEGISLATIVE MEASURES.** The Municipal Nutrition Committee, in coordination with the Sangguniang Bayan, shall draft and enact local legislative measures to:

- Institutionalize the BNS program across all barangays;
- Establish guidelines for the selection, training, and deployment of BNS personnel;
- Ensure proper monitoring and evaluation of community nutrition programs.

SECTION 3. ORGANIZED LOCAL TRAINING TEAMS. The Municipal Nutrition Committee shall organize Local Training Teams (LTTs) composed of qualified health and nutrition professionals. The LTTs shall provide capacity-building programs and continuous training for BNS personnel to enhance their competencies in nutrition education, monitoring, and reporting

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**SECTION 4. BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION.** The Municipality shall allocate an appropriate budget for the effective implementation of the Barangay Nutrition Program. This budget shall cover the following:

- Honoraria and incentives for BNS personnel;
- Training programs and capacity-building activities;
- Provision of educational materials and health supplies;
- Monitoring and evaluation activities.

SECTION 5. MONITORING AND REPORTING. The Municipal Nutrition Office shall conduct regular monitoring and evaluation to ensure the effective implementation of the program. Barangay Nutrition Scholars shall submit monthly reports on their activities and the nutritional status of their respective communities.

**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval and implementation. All concerned offices and agencies are hereby directed to ensure its full compliance.

**DONE** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2024, at the Municipal Hall of Santa Maria, Province of Bulacan.

BARTOLOME R. RAMOS Municipal Mayor

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