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Province of Cavite  
MUNICIPALITY OF BACOOR  
Office of the Sangguniang Bayan  

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 1  
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AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING SECTION 446, PARAGRAPH (B)  
OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991 ON THE ELECTION  
AND APPOINTMENT OF SECTORAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE  
SANGGUNIANG BAYAN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Sponsor: Councilor Normita D. Celestino

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Bacoor, Cavite, that:

Section 1. Short Title. – This Ordinance shall be known as “THE  
LOCAL SECTORAL REPRESENTATION ORDINANCE OF BACOOR,  
CAVITE”.

Section 2. Declaration of Principles. – It is the policy of the State to  
have sectoral representatives belonging to marginalized sectors of society participate in all levels of social, political and economic decision-making.

It is the policy of the Municipal Government of Bacoor, Cavite to  
give full meaning and effect to the Policy of the State mentioned above by  
enabling the basic sectors of society particularly, women, labor and any  
of the following sectors: the urban poor, senior citizens, and differently-
abled persons to participate in decision-making and local governance.

Section 3. Sectoral Representation – There shall be three (3) sectoral  
representatives in the Sangguniang Bayan coming from the women sector,  
the agricultural workers’ sector and from any of the following sectors: the  
urban poor, differently-abled persons, or senior citizens.

For the purpose of this ordinance, organizations belonging to the  
above-mentioned sectors are defined as follows:

3.1. “Women organization.” An organization whose members are  
women and are espousing women, gender and community concerns.

3.2. “Workers organization.” An organization of workers residing  
in Bacoor, Cavite whose main concern is to protect and promote the rights  
and interests of workers or the promotion of job creation in Bacoor.

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3.3. "Urban poor organization." An organization composed of heads of families that are without land, residents of Bacoor, Cavite, and with a gross monthly family income of not more than Fifteen Thousand Pesos (Php 15,000.00). This, however, shall not exclude urban poor beneficiaries who have been already awarded lands. Provided that their gross monthly family income is not more than Fifteen Thousand Pesos (Php 15,000.00). Provided further, that the persons who may be elected as sectoral representative shall not lose her/his urban poor status by reason of the salary or other benefits derived from her/his position as a sectoral representative under this Ordinance.

3.4."Senior Citizen Organization." A group of residents of Bacoor, Cavite the members of which are at least sixty (60) years old, including those who have retired from both government offices and private enterprises.

Section 4. Election and Appointment. – All organizations belonging to a particular sector as defined in Section 3 hereof shall hold their respective elections before 10 February 2010. The results of the said election shall be transmitted to the Office of the Municipal Mayor. The said elections may either be a separate election held for the purpose of choosing their representative to the Sangguniang Bayan or an election held to choose their officers. In the latter’s case, the president of the organization shall automatically be considered as that organization’s representative. The Municipal Mayor shall then choose the three (3) sectoral representatives that he/she shall appoint to the Sangguniang Bayan from among the winners of the elections held by the respective organizations mentioned above.

Section 5. Qualifications and disqualifications of Sectoral Representatives. Any individual seeking election under this ordinance shall have the following qualifications and none of the following disqualifications:

a. a Filipino citizen;

b. of legal age;

c. a resident of Bacoor, Cavite for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the date of effectivity of this Ordinance;

d. a registered voter of Bacoor, Cavite, in the local or national elections immediately preceding the date of effectivity of this Ordinance;

e. a bonafide member of a registered sectoral organization for no less than one (1) year immediately preceding the date of effectivity of this Ordinance;
Section 5. Term of Office. - The term of office of the sectoral representatives under this Ordinance shall be co-terminus with the term of office of the regular members of the Sangguniang Bayan. However, the representatives first appointed after the date of effectivity of this Ordinance shall serve until the expiration of the term of incumbent councilors. No sectoral representative shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms. Voluntary renunciation of the office for any length of time shall not be considered as an interruption in the continuity of service for the full term for which the sectoral representative concerned was elected.

Section 6. Vacancy. - In case of permanent vacancy due to any of the following: (a) resignation (b) death (c) disqualification, or (d) recall, there shall be a Special Election to be conducted by the members of the organization from which the sectoral representative who resigned, died, who has been disqualified, or been the subject of recall proceedings belonged. The said Special Election shall be held within thirty (30) days after the said permanent vacancy occurred.

Section 7. Rights, Privileges and Entitlements. - The sectoral representatives who shall be appointed by the Municipal Mayor under this Ordinance shall be entitled to the same rights, salaries and statutory benefits accorded to a regular Sanggunian member to take effect upon approval of the said entitlements by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). In case the appropriation for salaries and benefits of the appointed sectoral representatives and their staff is disapproved by the DBM, the appointed sectoral representatives shall be paid per diem for each day of work they actually rendered in the exercise of their duties as a sectoral representative which shall be taken from the budget of the Sangguniang Bayan or, in case of deficiency thereof, from the budget of the Office of the Municipal Mayor.
Section 8. Duties and Functions. - In addition to the functions vested upon Sanggunian members under the Local Government Code of 1991, the Sectoral Representatives appointed by the Municipal Mayor shall render a monthly report, conduct regular consultations with the sector she/he represents, and shall ensure that the issues and concerns of her/his sector are brought up before the Sanggunian. The sectoral representatives are obliged to advocate for the cause and interests of his/her sector, regularly attend regular and special sessions including committee and public hearings of the Sangguniang Bayan, and to participate in all deliberations regarding any matter submitted before the Sangguniang Bayan.

Section 9. Amendment to the Sangguniang Bayan’s Internal Rules and Procedures. - The Sangguniang Bayan, within 30 days after the date of appointment of the sectoral representatives, should amend the composition of the standing committees to include the new members of the council. Sectoral representatives shall automatically be members of the Standing Committees for Women, Labor or any of the following sectors: the urban poor or the senior citizens’ sector as may be appointed by the Municipal Mayor.

Section 10. Sectoral Assembly Meetings. - The different organizations accredited with the Sangguniang Bayan belonging to the various sectors mentioned above shall compose their respective Sectoral General Assembly (SGA). As such, the SGA shall meet quarterly whereby the sectoral representative concerned shall render a report to the sector on the accomplishments for the quarter. The meeting shall serve as an avenue for the members of the sectors to strategize and discuss pertinent issues.

During the first general assembly following the first sectoral election, the sector shall define its legislative agenda. A copy of said agenda shall then be submitted by the Sectoral Representative concerned to the Sangguniang Bayan.

Section 11. Grounds for disciplinary actions. - Considering that the sectoral representatives are deemed to be regular members of the Sangguniang Bayan, they are bound by the same disciplinary standards as the regular members, subject to the same grounds, penalties and procedures embodied in Sec. 60 of the R.A. 7160.

Section 12. Recall – Notwithstanding the disciplinary measures embodied in the preceding section, the sectoral representative may also be removed by the process of recall which shall be exercised in the following manner:
a. The power of recall may be exercised by the SGAB.

b. The grounds for recall are loss of confidence and/or performance of acts detrimental to the interest of the sector she/he belongs.

c. 25% of the sectoral general assembly may call for a general assembly stating specifically that it is called for recall of the sectoral representative, stating the grounds for the same. Provided further that the 25% membership is supported by each of the organization they represent, evidenced by a board resolution to that effect.

d. The said notice or call must state the date, time, and place of the assembly which notice must be given at least three days before the scheduled date, personally furnishing a copy thereof to the person subject of recall.

e. During the general assembly the proponents would be given 15 minutes to state their reasons why they are pushing for the recall. Thereafter, the person subject of recall will be given the same period to rebut and disprove the allegations of the proponents. His/her absence without justifiable cause is deemed a waiver. Thereafter, voting by secret ballot shall be conducted which must not be less than 2 hours after the forum to give the SGA members time to consult with his/her organization. A majority vote of all the members shall be sufficient to recall the sectoral representative. However, it is understood that the vote of the SGA members is reflective of the vote of the organization as shown by a board resolution to that effect.

f. The Commission on Elections shall be in charge of facilitating the process of recall, except if the Comelec assumes jurisdiction, in which case, the latter shall then manage and supervise the process of recall.

g. Should the person subject of recall get the majority vote, she/he is deemed to have been vindicated and shall continue to hold office.

h. It is further understood that recall limitations imposed by R.A. 7160 shall remain applicable.

Section 13. Rules and Regulations. - Should there be a need to promulgate rules and regulations to effectively carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, the Sanggunian shall form a seven- person committee which shall all be members of the Sangguniang Bayan but automatically include the three (3) sectoral representatives. Notwithstanding the absence of implementing rules and regulations, this Ordinance shall be rendered self-executory.
Section 14. Separability Clause. - If for any reason, any part or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or illegal, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 15. Repealing Clause. - Any ordinance or local executive order or memorandum or any provision thereof found inconsistent with the ordinance is deemed to have been repealed or amended accordingly.

Section 16. Effectivity. - This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after publication in a local newspaper.


I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

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Attested by:

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