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His Excellency RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

President, Republic of the Philippines Malacañang Palace, Manila

Sir,

I hope this letter finds you in the best of health.

I am sending you on behalf of the Ordinary Government Employees and other signatories a copy of a legislative proposal: titled "AMMENDING R.A. 8291 to include, among others, the provision: "Monthly pension will automatically be increased whenever there is an increase in the salary of the position from which the employee retired"; IN ORDER TO CORRECT THE UNJUST DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE BENEFITS PACKAGE GRANTED TO ORDINARY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND THOSE IN THE JUDICIARY, OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN AND THE NATIONAL PROSECUTION SERVICE."

The particular provision cited in the proposed amendment is uniformly included in the Section on Benefits for officials and employees in the Judiciary (R.A. 9946), in the Office of the Ombudsman (R.A. 11059) and in the National Prosecution Service (R.A.10071), but is omitted and not provided for in the case of Ordinary Government Employees (R.A. 8291). This comparison is presented in the accompanying "RETIREMENT BENEFITS MATRIX".

We call attention to this glaring and scandalous inequality. We believe that this is an issue that urgently needs to be addressed. For, in truth, we who belong to the ranks of the Ordinary Government Employees, do ardently wish to receive a monthly pension and gratuity computed according to the formula applied to retiring members of the three other branches of government we have singled out for comparison.

In this light, we earnestly seek your support for help to make this proposal prosper. Certainly the thousands of Ordinary Government Employees nationwide shall all be greatly indebted to you – for paving the way for this grave injustice to be rectified.

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Sincerely,

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