IN THE MATTER OF ADJUSTING THE PERIOD FOR THE FILING THE CERTIFICATES OF CANDIDACY (COC) AS FIXED IN COMELEC RESOLUTION NO. 9715 DATED 18 JUNE 2013, AND RESOLUTION NO. 9740 DATED 10 JULY 2013, IN CONNECTION WITH THE OCTOBER 28, 2013 SYNCHRONIZED BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN (SK) ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS, on June 18, 2013, the Commission on Elections (Commission) promulgated Resolution No. 9715 prescribing, among others, the period for the filing of Certificates of Candidacy (COC) in connection with the October 28, 2013 Synchronized Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Elections to be on 15-17 October 2013;

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2013, the Commission promulgated Resolution No. 9740 (Rules and Regulations on the Filing of Certificates of Candidacy {COC} in connection with the October 28, 2013 Barangay and SK Elections), setting the period for the filing of COCs to be on any day from October 15, 2013 to October 17, 2013, during regular office hours (8:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m.), or for a period of three (3) days only;

WHEREAS, there are numerous pleas from field offices for the extension of the period for the filing the COCs as the three-day period may not be sufficient to accommodate all aspirants;

WHEREAS, in view of the expanding interest to participate in the barangay and SK elections, it is likely that the number of aspirants for the positions will significantly increase;

WHEREAS, the Commission notes the tendency of aspirants to file COCs towards the end of the filing period;
WHEREAS, the period for the filing of COCs cannot be extended beyond October 17, 2013 as the following day (October 18, 2013) is already the start of the campaign period;

NOW, THEREFORE, given the above consideration, the Commission, by virtue of the powers vested in it by the Constitution, the Omnibus Election Code and other election laws, RESOLVED, as it hereby RESOLVES, to prescribe that the new period for the filing of COCs in connection with the October 28, 2013 Synchronized Barangay and SK elections is on October 11, 12, 14, 15, 16 and 17, 2013, from 8:00 o’clock in the morning up to 5:00 in the afternoon each day;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to amend Resolution No. 9715 dated June 18, 2013, and Resolution No. 9740 dated July 10, 2013 insofar as the period for the filing of COCs is concerned.

This Resolution shall take effect seven (7) days after its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Let the Steering Committee and the Project Management Office (PMO) of the 2013 Barangay and SK Elections implement this Resolution.

SO ORDERED.

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