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DECLARING JUNE 19 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING  
HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA IN HONOR OF THE BIRTH  
ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATIONAL HERO DR. JOSE P. RIZAL, TO BE  
KNOWN AS "THE NATIONAL HERO'S DAY"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare June 19 of every year as a special non-working holiday in the province of Laguna in honor of the birth anniversary of Dr. Jose P. Rizal to be known as National Hero's Day.

Every year on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, our nation celebrates Rizal's heroism whose writings helped fuel the desire for independence among his countrymen. As Rizal traces his roots in the now-city of Calamba, it is only fitting that residents living in Laguna dedicate a special day to honor one of its foremost sons who became one of the founding heroes of this nation.

In view of the foregoing, approval of the said measure is earnestly requested.

  
**LOREN LEGARDA**  
Senator

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*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines  
in Congress assembled:*

1       **SECTION 1.** June 19 of every year is declared a special nonworking  
2 holiday in the Province of Laguna in honor of the birth anniversary of our  
3 national hero Dr. Jose P. Rizal, to be known as "The National Hero's Day".

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5       **SEC. 2.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in  
6 the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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8       Approved,