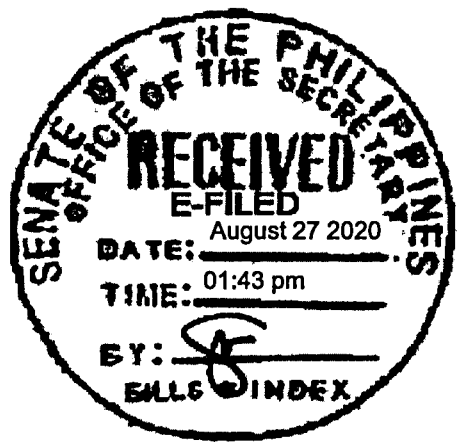


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

There is universal consensus on the role teachers play in nation-building. However, there is little, or even none, for support personnel. They are teaching assistants, school clerks, school registrars, school librarians, school nurses, school doctors, school guidance counselors and psychologists, and the rest of the professional, administrative, technical, and general staff who provide support to students and the teaching personnel. They are essential partners in the education and formation of students.

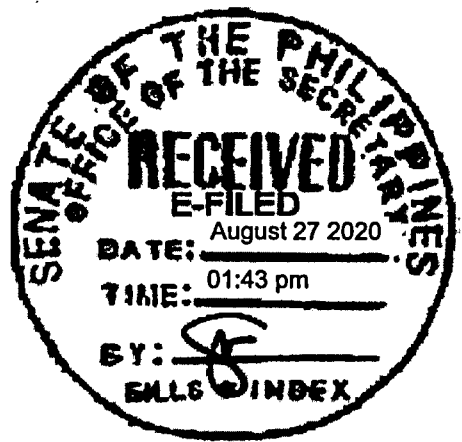
This bill seeks to declare May 16 of every as a special working holiday in recognition of the invaluable contributions of national education support personnel to our education system, and in nation-building, in general. This holiday is being celebrated across the globe; thus, the need to institutionalize this here in our country.

In view of the foregoing, immediate consideration of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "National Education Support
2 Personnel Day Act".

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4 Sec. 2. As used in this Act, the term "Education Support Personnel" refers to
5 teaching assistants, school clerks, school registrars, school librarians, school nurses,
6 school doctors, school guidance counselors and psychologists, and the rest of the
7 professional, administrative, technical, and general staff who provide support to
8 students and the teaching personnel.

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10 Sec. 3. In recognition of the observance of World Education Support Personnel
11 Day, the sixteenth (16th) day of May of every year is hereby declared a special working
12 holiday to be known as National Education Support Personnel Day.

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14 To ensure the meaningful observance and celebration of this day, the heads of
15 national government agencies, government-owned and -controlled corporations
16 involved in education, local government units, and employers in the private sector

1 involved in education, are encouraged to allow their respective personnel to participate
2 in any related activity within the premises of their respective offices or establishments.

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4 Sec. 4. The Department of Education and the Commission on Higher Education
5 shall serve as the lead agencies in the preparation and implementation of the annual
6 program of activities for the observance of National Education Support Personnel Day.

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

Approved.