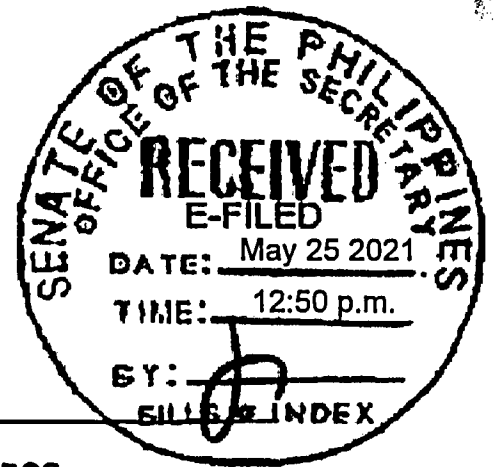


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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to declare August Eleven (August 11) of every year a special non-working holiday in the Province of Samar to commemorate its Foundation Day and to enable its residents and local officials to fully participate in the festivities prepared by the local government.

August 11 is considered a very historic day for the Province of Samar because it was the day when Queen Isabella II of Spain, through a Royal Decree on 1841, declared Samar as a Province. Since then, the Province of Samar takes pride not only of its independence but also of all its agricultural products, tourist destinations, delicacies and festivals wherein all municipalities and cities participate including the private sectors.

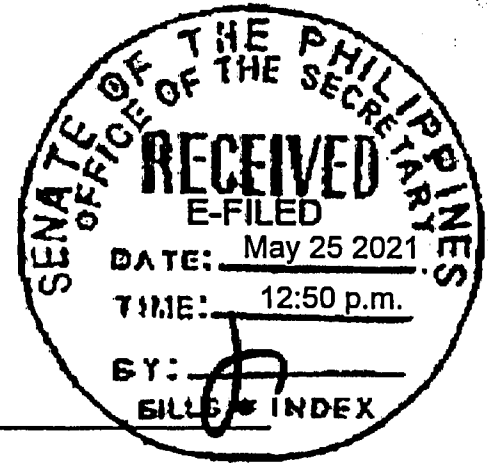
Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

1           Sec. 1. August eleven of every year is hereby declared as a special non-working  
2 holiday in the Province of Samar, to commemorate its Foundation Anniversary to be  
3 known as the "Samar Day".

4           Sec. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least  
5 two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,