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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 276

Submitted by the Committee on Local Government on ______OCT 0 1 2015

Re: House Bill No. 4565

Recommending its approval with amendments, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2647

Sponsor: Senator Marcos, Jr.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Local Government to which was referred House Bill No. 4565,

introduced by Representatives Roman, Primicias-Agabas and Garcia G., entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING MAY 8 OF EVERY YEAR AS HERMOSA DAY AND A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HERMOSA, PROVINCE OF BATAAN"

taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2647, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

"AN ACT

DECLARING MAY 8 OF EVERY YEAR AS HERMOSA DAY AND A SPECIAL NON-WORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HERMOSA, PROVINCE OF BATAAN"

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the

recommendation that it be approved with the following amendments:

- On page 1, line 2, delete the word "nonworking" and in lieu thereof insert the word "WORKING";
- On the same page and line, after the word "holiday" insert the phrase "AND NO CLASS DAY IN SCHOOLS";
- 3. On the same page, line 3, after the word "Bataan." insert a new section to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. FOR WORK PERFORMED ON A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY, AN EMPLOYEE IS ENTITLED TO HIS/HER REGULAR WAGE."

and renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

4. The title of the bill should now read as follows:

"AN ACT DECLARING MAY 8 AND EVERY YEAR AS HERMOSA DAY AND A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY AND NO CLASS DAY IN SCHOOLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HERMOSA, PROVINCE OF BATAAN" Respectfully submitted:

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4565

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROMAN, PRIMICIAS-AGABAS AND GARCIA (G.)

AN ACT DECLARING MAY 8 OF EVERY YEAR AS HERMOSA DAY AND A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HERMOSA, PROVINCE OF BATAAN

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

- 1 SECTION 1. May 8 of every year is hereby declared as Hermosa Day
- 2 and a special nonworking public holiday in the Municipality of Hermosa,
- 3 Province of Bataan.
- 4 SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
- 5 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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S.B. No. 2647

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CYNTHIA A. VILLAR

AN ACT DECLARING MAY 8 OF EVERY YEAR AS HERMOSA DAY AND A SPECIAL NON-WORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HERMOSA, PROVINCE OF BATAAN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare May 8 of every year as Hermosa Day and a special nonworking public holiday in the Municipality of Hermosa, Province of Bataan.

May 8 is a milestone in the history of Hermosa, Bataan. It was on May 8, 1756 when Hermosa was established and officially became a town upon the approval of Governor General Manuel de Arandia. It was also in the same year that an independent catholic parish was established in this town with St. Peter de Verona as its patron saint.

Today, the town boasts of the Hermosa Special Economic Zone which is home to the Subic Hermosa Cybercity, a 93-hectare special economic zone that hosts a number of locator businesses dealing in information technology (IT), manufacturing of electronic products, IT research and development, and multi-media industries.

As to public utilities, Digitel is the major provider of telecommunication services in the municipality. Electrification is 100% provided by the Peninsula Electric Company (PENELCO). Hermosa's location is strategically accessible to and from Manila, San Fernando and Olongapo because leading bus lines are regularly plying its main roads.

The leading business enterprise in this municipality are fruit processing of mangoes and bananas, weaving of handicrafts, stuffed-toy making, hand painting of jars, and *balut* and salted egg making. The aquaculture industry which was traditionally concentrated on bangus, tilapia and crab, now incorporates prawn farming.

With the significant developments that have propelled Hermosa to what it is today, it is only fitting to designate a special day every year to showcase the products that the town is famous for. This particular day will also highlight the ingenuity of its townsfolk to transform and sustain a progressive Hermosa.

By declaring May 8 of every year as a non-working public holiday in the Municipality of Hermosa, its people will be given full opportunity to commemorate and celebrate the historic event with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In view of the foregoing, I recommend the approval of this bill.

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