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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 82

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance on MAY 16 2017

Re: House Bill No. 477

Recommending its approval without amendment, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 1323

Sponsor: Senator Francis G. Escudero

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Education, Arts and Culture and Finance to which were referred House Bill No. 477, introduced by Reps. Sy-Alvarado, Gomez, et. al., entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 23 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO COMMEMORATE THE DECLARATION OF THE FIRST PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC"

and Senate Bill No. 1323, introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" L. Pimentel, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF JANUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES, TO COMMEMORATE THE DECLARATION OF THE FIRST PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC ON JANUARY 23, 1899 AT THE BARASOAIN CHURCH, MALOLOS, BULACAN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill be approved without amendments.

Respectfully submitted:

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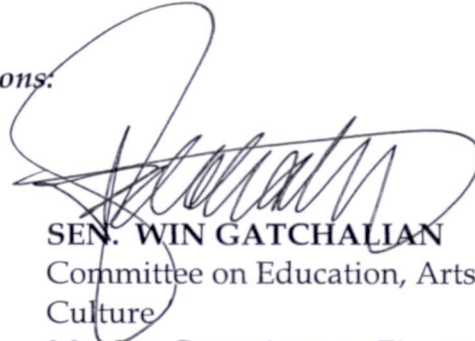
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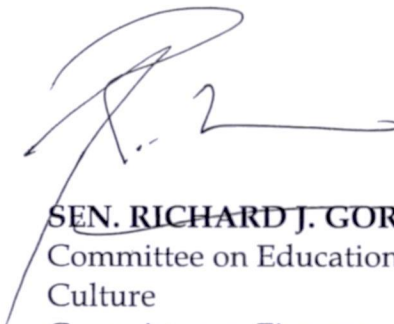
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 477

BY REPRESENTATIVES SY-ALVARADO, GOMEZ, GARCIA (J.), ROA-PUNO, AKBAR, MENDING, REVILLA, ACOSTA, PALMA, BIAZON, SUANSING (H.), BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN, PAPANDAYAN, DIMAPORO (M.), MATUGAS, MONTORO, ORTEGA (P.), BOLILIA, NIETO, AGGABAO, VILLAFUERTE, PINEDA, YU, LACSON, HERRERA-DY, SALON, VELOSO, MADRONA, CUARESMA, SIAO, BILLONES, MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, BARBERS, SAVELLANO, MANGAOANG, SARMIENTO (C.), VILLARIN, ROMERO, MALAPITAN, GASATAYA, PANCHO, PADUANO, GARCIA (G.), ROCAMORA, PRIMICIAS-AGABAS, SUANSING (E.), PANOTES, SILVERIO, BONDOC, LOPEZ (M.), BELARO, DEL ROSARIO, ZUBIRI, SARMIENTO (E.), ANGARA-CASTILLO AND DE VERA

AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 23 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO COMMEMORATE THE DECLARATION OF THE FIRST PHILIPPINE REPUBLIC

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as "The First Philippine Republic
2 Day Act."

3 SEC. 2. January 23 of every year is hereby declared as "The First
4 Philippine Republic Day", which shall be a special working holiday in the
5 entire country to commemorate the declaration of the First Philippine Republic
6 on January 23, 1899 held at the Barasoain Church in the City of Malolos,
7 Province of Bulacan.

1 SEC. 3. The National Historical Commission, in coordination with the
2 Department of Education, shall plan and implement activities for "The First
3 Philippine Republic Day" and ensure that the significance of this historical
4 event will continue to inspire and instill a sense of pride for the rich and noble
5 history of the Filipino nation.

6 SEC. 4. If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the
7 same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

8 SEC. 5. All laws, decrees, orders, and issuances or portions thereof
9 which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed,
10 amended or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,

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