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Introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III

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AN ACT  
DECLARING DECEMBER 2 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL  
NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF PASAY TO BE  
KNOWN AS THE "FOUNDATION DAY OF PASAY CITY"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On December 2, 1863, Pasay City was declared as an independent *pueblo*<sup>1</sup> after several prominent residents of Pasay sent a petition to civil and ecclesiastical authorities at the time, seeking to be allowed to manage their own political and religious affairs.

Through the years, Pasay City has been recognized for its successful programs. In 2012, the Department of Health named Pasay City the *Garantisadong Pambata Champion*, an award given to local government units that institutionalize the campaign for children's health from birth to fourteen (14) years of age through, among others, the delivery of basic child and nutrition services. Pasay City was also recognized for its literacy programs, winning the National Literacy Award in the years of 2008 and 2012. Further, the Department of Interior and Local Government hailed Pasay City's Informal Settler Relocation Program and the Urban Greening or Family-Based Ecological Diversion and Recycling of Waste Program as best practices that should be replicated by other local government units. Pasay City

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<sup>1</sup> A *pueblo* was the Spanish-era equivalent of a town.

also placed first among seven (7) other cities in the southern part of Metro Manila in relation to its Illegal Drug Apprehension Program. Finally, Pasay City has hosted the seat of the Senate ever since May 1997.

Thus, in order to give the residents of Pasay City an opportunity to celebrate their city's foundation day and its achievements since then, it is fitting to declare December 2 of every year a special non-working holiday in Pasay City.

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

  
**AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III**



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

1       **SECTION 1.** December 2 of every year is hereby declared a  
2 special non-working holiday in the City of Pasay to be known as the  
3 "Foundation Day of Pasay City."  
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5       **SEC. 2.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
6 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general  
7 circulation.

*Approved,*