

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE  
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
*Third Regular Session*



Office of the Secretary

'19 JAN 21 P2:38

RECEIVED

*[Handwritten signature]*

SENATE

S. B. No. 2156

---

Introduced by Senator Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III

---

AN ACT  
DECLARING THE THIRD SUNDAY OF NOVEMBER OF  
EVERY YEAR AS THE “NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE  
FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Around the world, about 1.25 million people reportedly die every year due to road crashes. In Metro Manila alone, 434 people died and about 19,374 people were hurt in 2017 due to road accidents based on the Metro Manila Development Authority crash statistics.

Concerned over the number of road crash victims, the United Nations General Assembly passed a Resolution in 2010 entitled “Improving Global Road Safety” wherein Member States were encouraged to strengthen their commitment to road safety and observe the “World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims” on the third Sunday of November of every year. The Philippines responded through Proclamation No. 2092 series of 2010 calling for the annual observance of the “World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims.”

This bill seeks to declare the third Sunday of November of every year as the “National Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims in the Philippines” to institutionalize its observance. This yearly event will be an opportune time to remember those who perished in road crashes and acknowledge the grief of their families, to recognize the suffering of road crash survivors and their families, to salute the work of support and

rescue services, and to raise awareness about the importance of road safety.

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

  
AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III

SENATE

S. B. No. 2156

Introduced by Senator Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III

AN ACT  
DECLARING THE THIRD SUNDAY OF NOVEMBER OF  
EVERY YEAR AS THE “NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE  
FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

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

1       **SECTION 1.** *National Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic*  
2       *Victims.* – The third Sunday of November of every year is hereby declared  
3       as the “National Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims in the  
4       Philippines” to remember those who perished in road crashes and  
5       acknowledge the grief of their families, to recognize the suffering of road  
6       crash survivors and their families, to salute the work of support and rescue  
7       services, and to raise awareness about the importance of road safety.

8  
9       **SEC. 2.** *National Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims*  
10       *Committee.* – The Secretary of Transportation shall form and chair the  
11       National Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims Committee. The  
12       Heads of other Departments, such as but not limited to, the Department of  
13       Health (DOH), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG),  
14       Department of Education (DepEd), and the Metro Manila Development  
15       Authority (MMDA), shall be members of the Committee and assist the  
16       Secretary of Transportation in preparing a program for the meaningful  
17       celebration of the annual event. The Secretary of Transportation may  
18       likewise call upon other government agencies, local government units,  
19       and non-government organizations to assist in the preparations and  
20       implementation of the program.



1       **SEC. 3. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect immediately upon  
2 its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general  
3 circulation.

*Approved,*