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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 16

Submitted by the Committee on Health and Demography on NOV 15 2007.

Re: Senate Bill No. 1874, prepared by the Committee

Recommending its approval in consolidation of Senate Bill Nos. 894 and 1405.

Sponsor: Senator Pia Cayetano

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Health and Demography to which were referred Senate Bill No. 894, introduced by Senator Angara and Senate Bill no. 1405, introduced by Senator Cayetano, P., both entitled:


**“AN ACT DECLARING MAY 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS HEALTH WORKERS’
DAY”**

has considered the same and has the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, Senate Bill No. 1874, prepared by the Committee, entitled:

**“AN ACT DECLARING MAY 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS HEALTH WORKERS’
DAY”**

be approved in consolidation of Senate Bill Nos. 894 and 1405, with Senators Angara and Cayetano as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

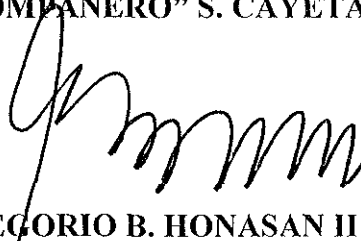

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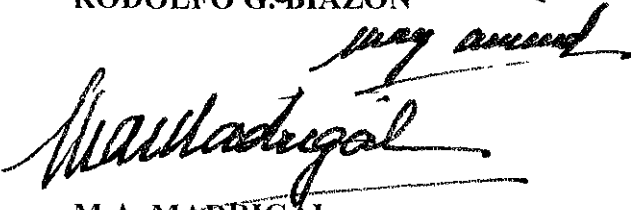

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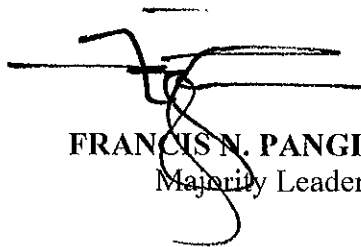

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S.B. NO. 1874

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**Prepared by the Committee on Health and Demography, in
consolidation of Senate Bill Nos. 894 and 1405**

AN ACT

DECLARING MAY 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS "HEALTH WORKERS' DAY"

*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 "**Health Workers' Day Act.**"
- 2 **SEC. 2.** To give due recognition to the important role and contributions of the health
3 workers who provide vital health services to our people and to promote their rights and
4 welfare and enhance their sense of worth and dignity, May 7 of every year is hereby
5 declared as a special working holiday to be known as "Health Workers' Day."
- 6 **SEC. 3.** For purposes of this Act, the term "health workers" shall mean all persons who
7 are engaged in health and health-related work, including medical, allied health
8 professional, administrative and support services personnel and those employed in
9 hospitals, sanitarium, health infirmaries, health centers, rural health units, barangay health
10 stations, and clinics, regardless of their employment status and such other health-related
11 establishments owned and operated by the government or its political subdivisions with
12 original charters, or by the private sector.
- 13 **SEC. 4.** To ensure the meaningful observance of the holiday as herein declared, all
14 heads of government health facilities, offices and instrumentalities, including
15 government-owned and controlled hospitals as well as local government health units, and
16 employers in the private sector, shall encourage and afford sufficient time and

- 1 opportunities for their employees to engage and participate in any activity to mark Health
- 2 Workers' Day.
- 3 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the
- 4 Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
- 5 Approved,