

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila
Thirteenth Congress
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of July, two thousand six.



[REPUBLIC ACT NO. **9492**]

AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL HOLIDAYS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26, CHAPTER 7, BOOK I OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive Order No. 292, as amended, otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 26. *Regular Holidays and Nationwide Special Days.* – (1) Unless otherwise modified by law,

order or proclamation, the following regular holidays and special days shall be observed in the country:

a) Regular Holidays

New Year's Day	- January 1
Maundy Thursday	- Movable Date
Good Friday	- Movable Date
<i>Eidul Fitr</i>	- Movable Date
Araw ng Kagitingan	- Monday nearest April 9 (Bataan and Corregidor Day)
Labor Day	- Monday nearest May 1
Independence Day	- Monday nearest June 12
National Heroes Day	- Last Monday of August
Bonifacio Day	- Monday nearest November 30
Christmas Day	- December 25
Rizal Day	- Monday nearest December 30

b) Nationwide Special Holidays

Ninoy Aquino Day	- Monday nearest August 21
All Saints Day	- November 1
Last Day of the Year	- December 31

c) In the event the holiday falls on a Wednesday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday of that week. If the holiday falls on a Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday that follows:

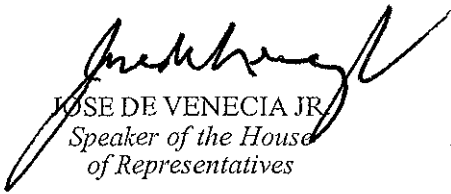
Provided, That for movable holidays, the President shall issue a proclamation, at least six months prior to the holiday concerned, the specific date that shall be declared as a nonworking day:

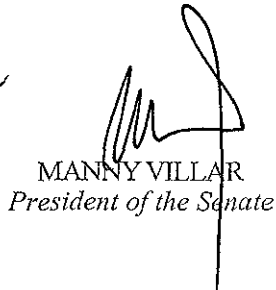
Provided, however, That *Eidul Adha* shall be celebrated as a regional holiday in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.”

SEC. 2. All laws, orders, presidential issuances, rules and regulations or part thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

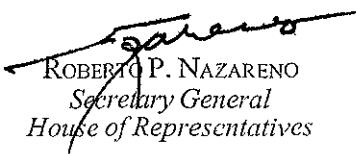
SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

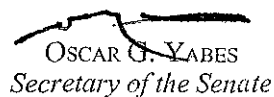
Approved,


JOSE DE VENECIA JR.
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*

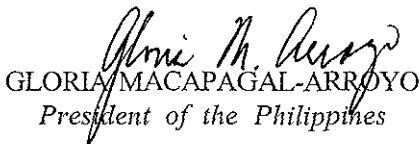

MANNY VILLAR
President of the Senate

This Act which originated in the Senate was finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on January 30, 2007 and February 7, 2007, respectively.


ROBERTO P. NAZARENO
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*


OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate

Approved: JUL 24 2007


GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO
President of the Philippines

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