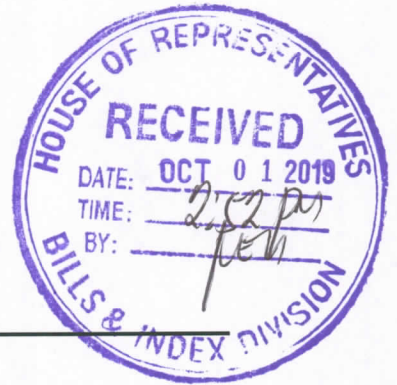


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 61

Submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture on OCT 01 2019.

Re : **House Bill No. 4952**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3506.

Sponsors : Representatives Romulo and Garcia (V.)

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Basic Education and Culture to which was referred House Bill No. 3506, introduced by Rep. Vincent J. Garcia, entitled:

**AN ACT
DECLARING THE WALINGWALING AS THE NATIONAL FLOWER
OF THE PHILIPPINES**

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 4952,
entitled:

**AN ACT
DECLARING THE WALINGWALING ORCHID AS THE NATIONAL
ORCHID OF THE PHILIPPINES**

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 3506, with Representatives Garcia (V.) and Romulo as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

ROMAN T. ROMULO

Chairperson

Committee on Basic Education and Culture

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HOUSE BILL NO. **4952**
(In substitution of House Bill No. 3506)

Introduced by Representatives Garcia (V.) and Romulo

AN ACT
DECLARING THE WALINGWALING ORCHID AS THE NATIONAL ORCHID OF
THE PHILIPPINES

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Walingwaling, the scientific name of which is *Vanda Sanderiana*,
2 is hereby declared as the National Orchid of the Philippines.
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4 **SEC. 2.** The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, in coordination with
5 the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, shall promulgate the rules and
6 regulations governing the acquisition, care and disposal of, and the protection, conservation
7 and propagation of the Walingwaling.
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9 **SEC. 3.** All laws, decrees, orders and rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent
10 with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.
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12 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
13 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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15 Approved,

**House of Representatives
Committee Affairs Department**

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House Bill No. 4952

(In substitution of House Bill No. 3506)

As Approved by the Committee on 28 August 2019

NATIONAL ORCHID OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by: REPS. GARCIA (V.) AND ROMULO

Committee Referral: COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION & CULTURE (Primary)

Committee Chairperson: REP. ROMAN T. ROMULO

OBJECTIVE:

- To recognize the significance of the Walingwaling, a species of orchid indigenous and endemic to the Philippines, and to encourage its conservation, protection and promotion

KEY PROVISION:

- Declares the Walingwaling orchid, with scientific name *Vanda Sanderiana*, as the National Orchid of the Philippines

RELATED LAW:

- The 1987 Philippine Constitution