EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES First Regular Session

H. B. No. 5683



Introduced by Representative TEODORICO "NONONG" T. HARESCO, JR.

AN ACT

DECLARING THE 31ST OF JULY OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF TANGALAN, PROVINCE OF AKLAN TO BE KNOWN AS "TANGALAN DAY" IN CELEBRATION OF ITS SEPARATION FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAKATO, AKLAN AND IN COMMEMORATION OF THE HEROES OF VIVO REVOLT

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On July 31, 1948, President Elpidio Quirino signed into law the separation of Tangalan from the Municipality of Makato, creating the municipality of Tangalan. It is by virtue of Republic Act No. 285 approved by Congress on June 16, 1958.

This bill seeks to declare July 31 each year as a special local holiday, called "Tangalan Day," for the Municipality of Tangalan, Province of Aklanon. Tangalanons will celebrate the creation of their municipality and the heroism of Filipinos in the Vivo Revolt of 1897.

On the celebration aspect, Tangalanons on this day will showcase their culture, talents in art, socio-economic values, ingenuity and self-determination that mark themselves as a unique society. On the historical aspect, Tangalanons will also commemorate how their ancestors in then-Barangay Vivo devised a trap that led to the defeat of a Spanish detachment sent to subjugate them.

This festivity that is both merry and contemplative seeks to remind Tangalanons of all generations of their history and uniqueness of their heritage.

Thus, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

HON. TEODORICO "NONONO" T. HARESCO, JR.

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

SECTION 1. Tangalan Day.- Section July 31 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the Municipality of Tangalan, Province of Aklan to be known as "Tangalan Day" in commemoration of its creation as a separate municipality from the Municipality of Makato, and in honor of the bravery of the hometown heroes of Barangay Vivo who revolted against the Spaniards.

SECTION 2. *Effectivity.-* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,