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Introduced by Hon. Frederick F. Abueg

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was filed in the Sixteenth Congress as House Bill No. 4749 and was substituted by House Bill No. 6352. It has been approved for three readings at the House of Representatives and was transmitted to the Senate of the Philippines on January 27, 2016. It was subsequently received by the upper House on same date per House Committee Report No. 00967.

Brooke's Point is a first-class municipality located in the southern portion of Palawan. It is one of the province's main economic centers. It is blessed with a booming economy relying on agriculture, commercial enterprises, and tourism, among others.

Brooke's Point was named after Sir James Brooke, the first white Rajah of Sarawak who engaged in trade and tourism with the native Palaweños and Muslims in the area during the 19th century under the then-Sultanate of Sulu. Brooke's Point has also earned the distinction of being the original home of the biggest pearl in the world, the "Pearl of Allah," found in 1934. Even before its official founding, Brooke's Point has been distinguishing itself as one of the foremost towns in the province of Palawan.

On June 28, 1949, President Elpidio Quirino established the municipality of Brooke's Point, by virtue of Executive Order No. 232.

This bill seeks to recognize and declare June 28 of every year as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Brooke's Point, in commemoration of the day when it was officially established as a municipality.

June 28 would be an opportunity for the people of Brooke's Point to celebrate their achievements and milestones since the municipality's creation and to fully appreciate their duties and privileges as residents of the municipality.

Thus, the approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 28 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE FOUNDATION DAY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE'S POINT, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, AND A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY

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

SECTION 1. To commemorate the founding anniversary of the Municipality of Brooke's Point, Province of Palawan, June 28th of every year is hereby declared as the Foundation Day of the Municipality of Brooke's Point and a special non-working holiday in the municipality. In the event that the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday that follows.

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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

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