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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Crimes disturb the order of society. The alarming rise of heinous crimes in our country calls for the re-imposition of the capital punishment. The death penalty is said to be the strongest deterrent society has against such crimes. It aims to restore order and adequately punishes criminals. The death penalty also serves as retribution for victims and their families.

Since the government has the highest interest in preventing heinous crime, it should use the strongest punishment available to deter unlawful acts - the death penalty. If criminals charged guilty of committing heinous crimes are sentenced to death and executed, potential criminals will think twice before committing crimes for fear of losing their own life.

In view of the foregoing consideration, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. Republic Act No. 9346, otherwise known as "An Act Prohibiting The Imposition of Death Penalty In The Philippines", is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. Effectivity – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.