## Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City, Metro Manila

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Eighteenth Congress First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 2583



Introduced by Hon. Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg-Zaldivar

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

Brooke's Point is a first-class municipality located in the southern portion of Palawan. Blessed with a booming economy relying primarily on agriculture, commerce, and tourism, it is one of the province's main economic centers. Even before its official founding, Brooke's Point had distinguished itself as a premier destination in the province.

Brooke's Point was named after Sir James Brooke, the first white Rajah of Sarawak who engaged in trade and commerce with the native Palaweños and Muslims in the area during the 19th century in the name of the then-Sultanate of Sulu. It is known as the original home of the biggest pearl in the world, the "Pearl of Allah," which was discovered in 1934. By virtue of Executive Order No. 232, Former President Elpidio Quirino officially established the Municipality of Brooke's Point on June 28, 1949.

Commemorating the 28th of June as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Brooke's Point provides an occasion to highlight the history of the community. This is a special day when the municipality has a chance to reflect on its beginning and to revisit and reconnect with the continuing journey of the town. It is an opportunity for the people to celebrate the achievements and milestones since Brooke's Point's creation.

It is worth mentioning that this measure was filed by former Deputy Speaker Frederick F. Abueg, approved, and transmitted to the Senate in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Congresses.

In view of the import of this measure, its immediate passage into law is earnestly sought.

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4	PALAWAN, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE'S POINT
5	FOUNDATION DAY," IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING DAY
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7	Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress
8	assembled:
9	CECTION 4 I - 20 of a second in house dealers de la second in a
10	SECTION 1. June 28 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking
11	holiday in the Municipality of Brooke's Point, Province of Palawan, to be known as
12	the "Brooke's Point Foundation Day," in commemoration of its founding day.
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14	SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
15	Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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17	Approved,