### Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

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House Bill No. 6626



# Introduced by **Rep. ANGELO MARCOS BARBA**2<sup>nd</sup> District, Ilocos Norte

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to declare October 23 of every year a special nonworking holiday in the Municipality of Badoc, Ilocos Norte to be known as "Juan Luna Day" in celebration of the life, works of art, and heroism of Juan N. Luna—the greatest Filipino painter of all time.

In keeping his legacy alive, the Municipality of Badoc commemorates the birth anniversary of Juan Luna by conducting activities such as painting contest, quiz bees, oratorical contest, grand civic parade, and Luna Shrine field trips. These programs and activities are conducted to instill in the hearts and minds the importance of arts, history, and nationalism not only as Badoqueños, but most importantly, as Filipinos.

It is, therefore, fitting and proper to declare October 23 of every year a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Badoc, Province of Ilocos Norte—Juan Luna's birthplace, where he is profoundly honored and admired.

In light of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 23 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BADOC IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF JUAN N. LUNA, TO BE KNOWN AS "JUAN LUNA DAY"

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

**SECTION 1.** October 23 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the Municipality of Badoc, Ilocos Norte in commemoration of the birth anniversary of Juan N. Luna, to be known as "Juan Luna Day".

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

Approved,