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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2584**



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

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

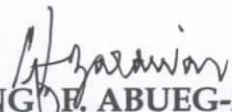
The 15<sup>th</sup> of May is a significant day for the Municipality of Quezon, Province of Palawan. By virtue of Republic Act No. 617, this is the day the people of the municipality officially commemorates its foundation in 1951. Hence, this measure seeks to declare May 15 of every year a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Quezon.

Quezon is a first-class municipality located in the southern portion of Palawan. It was once home to the Homo sapiens about 24,000 years ago. In 1962, Dr. Robert Fox and some Filipino archeologists discovered ancient tools and human fossils inside the Tabon Cave. They nicknamed the human fossil the Tabon Man. In effect, the municipality is now dubbed as the Philippines' "Cradle of Civilization." Aside from its splendid caves, it is also known for its must-see waterfalls and breathtaking islands and beaches.

Commemorating the 15<sup>th</sup> of May as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Quezon provides an occasion to highlight the history of the community. This is a special day when the municipality has a chance to reflect 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 the Municipality's creation.

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

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

  
**CYRILLE "BENG" F. ABUEG-ZALDIVAR**  
Representative, 2<sup>nd</sup> District of Palawan

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**AN ACT**

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HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF QUEZON, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN,  
TO BE KNOWN AS THE "MUNICIPALITY OF QUEZON FOUNDATION  
DAY," IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING DAY**

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

**SECTION 1.** May 15 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking  
holiday in the Municipality of Quezon, Province of Palawan, to be known as the  
"Municipality of Quezon Foundation Day," in commemoration of its founding day.

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

*Approved,*