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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 289

Submitted by the Committee on Revision of Laws on MAR 11 2020

Re : House Bill No. 6570

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2778.

Sponsors : Representatives Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla and Rufus B. Rodriguez

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Revision of Laws to which was referred House Bill No. 2778, introduced by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez, entitled:

**"AN ACT
DECLARING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING PUBLIC
HOLIDAY IN THE PHILIPPINES"**

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 6570, entitled:

**"AN ACT
DECLARING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR'S DAY A SPECIAL NONWORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE PHILIPPINES"**

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 2778 with Reps. Rufus B. Rodriguez and Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


CHERYL P. DELOSO-MONTALLA
Chairperson

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HOUSE BILL NO. 6570
(In Substitution of HB No. 2778)

Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVES RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ and CHERYL P. DELOSO-MONTALLA.**

**“AN ACT
DECLARING THE CHINESE NEW YEAR’S DAY A SPECIAL NONWORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE PHILIPPINES”**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The annual celebration of the Chinese New Year’s Day in the
2 Philippines is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the entire country.

3 **SEC. 2.** The Department of Labor and Employment and the Civil Service
4 Commission, in consultation with the Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of
5 Commerce and Industry, Inc., shall determine and declare the date of the Chinese
6 New Year’s Day every year.

7 **SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
8 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

9 Approved,

House of Representatives
Committee Affairs Department

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Introduced by: **REP. RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ**

Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS**

Committee Chairperson: **REP. CHERYL P. DELOSO-MONTALLA**

OBJECTIVES:

- To recognize the great contributions of the Filipino-Chinese in the Philippine society; and
- To preserve the cultural traditions of the Filipino-Chinese in celebrating the Chinese New Year’s Day in the Philippines.

KEY PROVISION:

- Declares the annual celebration of the Chinese New Year’s Day in the Philippines a nonworking holiday in the entire country; and
- Mandates the Department of Labor and Employment and the Civil Service Commission, in consultation with the Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Inc., to determine and declare the date of the Chinese New Year every year.