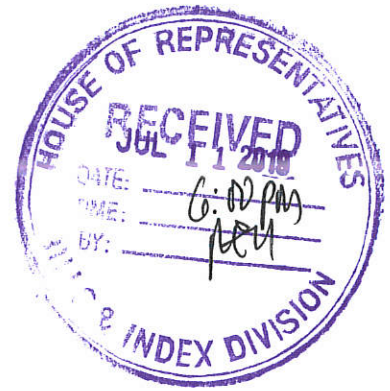


Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

Eighteenth Congress  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. **2059**



---

**Introduced by Representative JAKE VINCENT S. VILLA**

---

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Several laws dictated the existence and recognition of the Province of Siquijor. First, Republic Act No. 6398 approved on September 17, 1971, which declared the Province of Siquijor as independent province separating it from the Province of Oriental Negros. Second, Presidential Proclamation No. 1075 issued on September 12, 1972, which declared the Municipality of Siquijor as the capital of the Province of Siquijor.

A foundation day is yearly celebrated in the Province of Siquijor. To commemorate the existence and recognition of the Province of Siquijor as well as its foundation day, this measure seeks to declare September 17 of every year as a special non-working holiday in the province. This measure would likewise ensure that the entire populace of the Province of Siquijor is allowed to celebrate its foundation day.

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

  
**JAKE VINCENT S. VILLA**

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

Eighteenth Congress  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 2059

---

**Introduced by Representative JAKE VINCENT S. VILLA**

---

**AN ACT**

**DECLARING SEPTEMBER 17 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF SIKUIJOR IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS “ADLAW SA SIKUIJOR”**

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

**SECTION 1.** September 17 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday in the Province of Siquijor in commemoration of its founding anniversary, to be known as “Adlaw sa Siquijor”.

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

Approved,