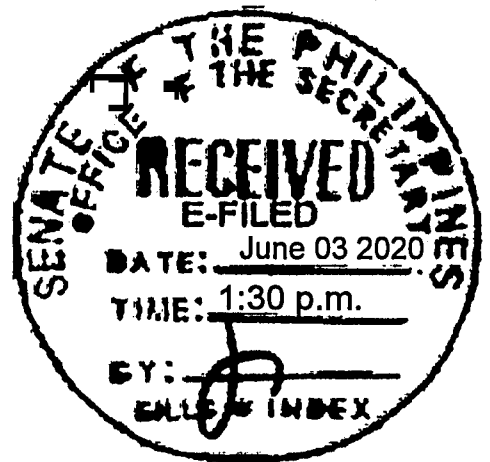


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S E N A T E

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 102

Submitted by the Committee on Basic Education, Arts and Culture
on June 03, 2020.

Re: House Bill No. 4953.

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Win Gatchalian

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Basic Education, Arts and Culture to which was referred **House Bill No. 4953**, introduced by Representatives Fortun, Romulo, Olivarez, Fortuno, Escudero, De Venecia, Bascug, Cari, Espina, Abunda, Panotes, Guico III, Tutor, Barba, Castelo, Andaya, Saulog, Bordado, Gullas, Rodriguez, Mangaoang, Radaza, Garcia (V.) and Benitez, entitled:

"AN ACT

**DECLARING THE BALANGAY AS THE NATIONAL BOAT OF THE
PHILIPPINES"**

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill 4953 be approved with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, lines 10 to 11, delete the phrase "found in Butuan City, and as may be found elsewhere in the country".
2. On the same page, after line 12, insert two new Sections:

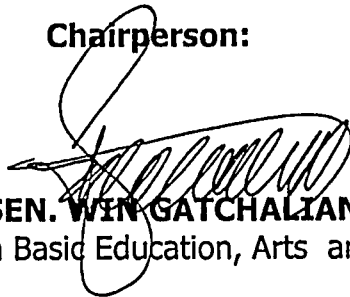
"SEC. 4. TO PROMOTE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION ON THE BALANGAY, MAY 19 OF EVERY YEAR IS HEREBY DECLARED AS BALANGAY DAY.

SEC. 5. THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES, IN COORDINATION WITH THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS, THE NATIONAL MUSEUM, THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES SHALL PROMULGATE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT."

3. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

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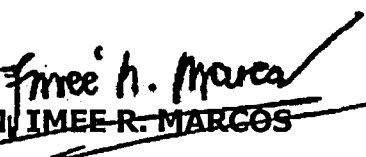

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BORDADO, GULLAS, RODRIGUEZ, MANGAOANG, RADAZA,
GARCIA (V.) AND BENITEZ, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 60

AN ACT DECLARING THE BALANGAY AS THE NATIONAL BOAT OF
THE PHILIPPINES

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

1 SECTION 1. It is the policy of the State to promote and
2 inculcate nationalism and pride in the cultural and historical
3 heritage of the nation. Furthermore, the State shall instill and foster
4 appreciation of the country's national symbols that embody the ideals
5 and traditions of the nation.

6 SEC. 2. The Balangay is a testament to the early Filipino's
7 boatbuilding genius and seafaring expertise and an embodiment of
8 the Filipino community's ideals of solidarity, unity, resilience,
9 courage, and bravery.

10 SEC. 3. The Balangay, found in Butuan City, and as may be
11 found elsewhere in the country, is hereby declared the National Boat
12 of the Philippines.

1 SEC. 4. All laws, decrees, orders, and rules and regulations
2 contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby
3 repealed or amended accordingly.

4 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
5 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general
6 circulation.

Approved,

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