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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1496



Introduced by: Hon. Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D.

AN ACT
DECLARING JUNE 13 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALAUAG, PROVINCE OF QUEZON, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Municipality of Calauag is one of the thirty-nine municipalities comprising the Quezon Province.

According to the writings of Valentin Martin in his "Ensayo de una sintesis de los trabajos realizados sos las corporaciones religiosas Españolas de Filipinas", the first record of the establishment of a settlement in Calauag dates as far as the year 1584. The formal founding of the town was, however, placed on June 13, 1851 with the union of the settlements in Apad and Calauag.

The name "Calauag" was derived from an incident in which a huge turtle known locally as "Kala" was caught near the seashore of the town. When the people tried to kill the turtle with sticks, the fishermen who caught the turtle dissuaded them from doing so by shouting "Kala-Huwag Kala", hence, the derivation of the name Calauag.

Calauag is one of the major towns in Southern Quezon in terms of economy and population and is often known as the Communications and Transport Capital of Quezon due to the presence of bus companies and a communication company.

Declaring June 13 a special nonworking holiday is a way of recognizing the valuable efforts and contributions of the people in Calauag, which will further encourage its people to strive harder, promote the tourism industry and bring greater progress to the municipality.

In view thereof, the immediate approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. June 13 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the Municipality of Calauag, Province of Quezon, in commemoration of its founding anniversary.

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,