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House Bill No. 4720

Introduced by Representatives **John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Dale "Along" R. Malapitan, Eric M. Martinez, and Rolando M. Valeriano**

EXPLANATORY NOTE


As a manifestation of support to this timely piece of legislation, this representation respectfully refiles this bill, which has constantly been receiving support from the past and present congress. This bill (HB 5686) has been approved for 3rd Reading during the previous Congress.

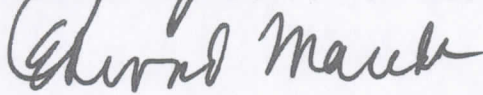
This measure seeks to declare the 27th of July of every year as national non-working holiday in honor of the founding anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo by amending section 3 of Republic Act 9645.

Since its foundation in 1914, Iglesia Ni Cristo has made significant contributions in nurturing the faith of the people and fostering nation building through social and public service initiatives and programs that greatly benefit the welfare of not only its members, but the whole society.

This representation hopes that through this bill, the Church of Christ be granted the proper recognition that they deserve for all their contributions to our nation.

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


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AN ACT DECLARING JULY 27 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NATIONAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF IGLESIA NI CRISTO"

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

SECTION 1. - Section 3 of Republic Act No. 9645 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. National Holiday, - July 27 of every year is hereby declared as a special national ~~working~~ **NONWORKING** holiday in commemoration of the founding anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo in the Philippines"

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

Approved.