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.

H. No. 4960

By Representatives Romualdez (Y.M.), Romualdez (F.M.), Villanueva (N.), Palma, Barba, Paduano, Alvarez (G.), Pimentel, Teves (A.), Sacdalan, Hofer, Barasa, Garbin, Rodriguez, Nogales (J.F.F.), Elago, Cuaresma, Castro (F.L.), Dimaporo (M.K.), Suansing (H.), Acop, Plaza, Amatong, Loyola, Fuentebelia and Suntay, per Committee Report No. 56

AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE EASTERN VISAYAS REGION TO BE KNOWN AS THE "YOLANDA COMMEMORATION DAY"

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

SECTION 1. November 8 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the highly urbanized City of Tacloban and the provinces of Leyte, Biliran, Southern Leyte, Northern Samar, Samar, and Eastern Samar to honor the memory of all who perished during the onslaught of Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) on November 8, 2013, and to salute the selflessness of all volunteers and organizations that took part and contributed in the recovery and rehabilitation efforts of the communities affected by the typhoon.