Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 3727



Introduced by HON. JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING

EXPLANATORY NOTE

"Service above self," the Rotary Motto.

This bill seeks to declare February 23 as National Rotary Day in recognition of the invaluable contribution to humanitarian and community service of the Rotary Club of the Philippines.

Established in 1919, the Rotary Club of the Philippines is a local chapter of the Rotary Club International. For 97 years, the Rotary Club of the Philippines has been a partner of the government in promoting social welfare and development through its various livelihood, health, education and environmental protection programs and community service projects. To date, there are over 800 Rotary Clubs in the country.

For its untiring commitment and service to the country, it is befitting to acknowledge the invaluable service of the Rotary Club of the Philippines. Declaring February 23, the Rotary's anniversary date, as the National Rotary Day is the most appropriate way to recognize the contribution of the organization to socio-economic development of the country.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is urgently recommended.

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AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 23 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL ROTARY DAY AND A REGULAR WORKING DAY

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

SECTION 1. February 23 of every year is hereby declared a special working holiday to be known as "National Rotary Day" in recognition of the invaluable contribution of the Rotary Club of the Philippines to humanitarian and community service.

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

Approved,