

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Philippines

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1152



Introduced by Honorable JC Rahman A. Nava, MD

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare May 22 of every year as a special nonworking holiday in the Province of Guimaras.

Before the approval of the Local Government Code of 1991, Guimaras Island was a sub-province of Iloilo. It has been known for its sweet mangoes, cashew nuts, copra, coffee and other fruit bearing trees. The province is also a popular tourist destination because of its beautiful coastline and clean beaches. The economic development of the island encouraged the local officials and the people to work hard for its separation from the province of Iloilo and its conversion to an independent province.

It was May 22, 1992 when Guimaras island became a province by virtue of Republic Act No. 7160. Thus, to give the people of Guimaras a chance to commemorate the significance of the occasion, it is deemed proper that the said date be declared a special nonworking holiday in the province.

Approval of this bill is therefore highly recommended.

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**AN ACT DECLARING MAY 22nd OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF GUIMARAS TO COMMEMORATE ITS
ANNIVERSARY**

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

Section 1. May 22 of every year is hereby declared as a special nonworking holiday in the province of Guimaras to commemorate its anniversary as a province.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.