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Introduced by: **CONG. VICTOR J. YU, and**  
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 711, the Province of Zamboanga del Sur was created. It subsequently acquired corporate existence as a political subdivision of the national government on September 17, 1952.

Jubilant of this historical occasion of the province, the Zambosurians since then have been regularly commemorating September 17 of every year as the Foundation Day of the Province of Zamboanga del Sur.

In order to afford a more fitting and appropriate festivity in commemoration of the foundation of the province, passage of this bill, **"Declaring September 17 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Public Holiday in the Province of Zamboanga del Sur"** is earnestly requested.



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**AN ACT**  
**DECLARING SEPTEMBER 17 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING**  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR**

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

**SECTION 1.** September 17 of every year is hereby declared as a special nonworking public holiday in the Province of Zamboanga del Sur to commemorate its foundation anniversary.

In the event that the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday that follows.

**SECTION 2.** All laws, orders, presidential issuances, rules and regulations or part thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of national circulation.

**Approved,**