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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Senior Citizen is a term that refers to a person who is at least 60 years of age. More often, this term denotes that the person is a pensioner. Being a pensioner, this presupposes that he had rendered services either in private or public institutions which undoubtedly contributed to the development of our society and economy. Having retired from service, it is believed that he had spent a productive and meaningful life and was able to share his experiences, knowledge and expertise with the other generations.

However, whether the person is a pensioner or not, he had shared himself and contributed something in his own way to and for the community.

Therefore, for the invaluable contributions of our Senior Citizens to our country, they deserve to be acknowledged and be given due recognition.

As such, the approval of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
DECLARING EVERY 1st OF OCTOBER OF EACH YEAR AS NATIONAL SENIOR
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SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "National Senior Citizens' Day Act".

SEC. 2. The first day of October of every year shall hereby be known as the "National Senior Citizens' Day" to acknowledge the contributions of the Senior Citizens to our Philippine society and economy.

SEC. 3. Pursuant to the observance of the National Senior Citizens' Day, there shall be an annual appropriate activity to be prepared, organized and implemented by the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) in their respective localities.

SEC. 4. The Philippine Information Agency (PIA), in coordination with the OSCA, shall ensure the effective information dissemination of this Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,