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HOUSE BILL NO. **6320**



Introduced by **HONORABLE ZAJID G. MANGUDADATU**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Philippine National Police – Special Action Force (PNP-SAF) is the most elite unit of policemen in the Philippines. The Government spends a lot of money and effort in training the men and women of the PNP-SAF.

On January 25, 2015, we woke-up to news that forty-four (44) policemen from the ranks of our country's elite were killed in Mamasapano, Maguindanao. The news broke the hearts of not only Filipinos, but also other nationalities, as videos of how our elite policemen were mercilessly killed went viral. The "SAF 44" heroically gave up their lives after successfully neutralizing one of the world's most dangerous terrorist.

The deaths of all the men in the SAF 44 should not be put to naught and the entire Filipino nation ought to remember the day they lost their lives in service to the country and in furtherance of peace.

Approval of the bill is earnestly sought.

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**AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 25 OF EVERY YEAR AS A
NATIONAL DAY OF MOURNING TO REMEMBER THE LIVES
OF THE SAF 44 WHO DIED IN MAMASAPANO, MAGUINDANO**

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

SECTION 1. November 23 of every year is hereby declared as National Day of Mourning.

SECTION 2. As a National Day of Mourning, the entire Philippines shall dedicate November 23 of every year to remember the forty-four (44) lives of the brave and heroic members of the Philippine National Police – Special Action Force who died in Mamasapano, Maguindanao on January 25, 2015.

SECTION 3. The lives of the following members of the so-called SAF 44 shall always be remembered and commemorated on the National Day of Mourning every January 25 of every year: 1) Sr. Insp. Ryan P. Pabalinas; 2) Sr. Insp. John Garry A. Erana; 3) Sr. Insp. Max Jim R. Tria; 4) Sr. Insp. Cyrus P. Anniban; 5) Sr. Insp. Gednat G. Tabdi; 6) Insp. Joey S. Gamutan; 7) Insp. Rennie Tayrus; 8) SPO1 Lover L. Inocencio; 9) Rodrigo F. Acob, Jr.; 10) PO3 Virgel S. Villanueva; 11) PO3 Andres V. Duque; 12) PO3 Vitoriano N. Acain; 13) PO3 Noel O. Golocan; 14) PO3 Junrel N. Kibete; 15) PO3 Jed-In A. Asjali; 16) PO3 Robert D. Aliaga; 17) PO3 John Lloyd R. Sumbilla; 18) PO2 Amman M. Esmulla; 19) PO2 Peterson I. Carap; 20) PO2 Roger C. Cordero; 21) PO2 Nicky DC. Nacino, Jr.; 22) PO2 Glenn B. Badua; 23) PO2 Chum G. Agabon; 24) POC Richelle S. Baluga; 25) PO2 Noel N. Balaca; 26) PO2 Joel B. Dulnuan; 27) PO2 Godofredo B.

Cabanlet; 28) PO2 Franklin C. Danao; 29) PO2 Walner F. Danao; 30) PO2 Jerry Dailay Kayob; 31) PO2 Noble S. Kiangon; 32) PO2 Ephraim G. Mejia; 33) PO2 Omar A. Nacionales; 34) PO2 Rodel E. Ramacula; 35) PO2 Romeo V. Senin II; 36) PO1 Russel B. Bilog; 37) PO1 Angel C. Kodiamat; 38) PO1 Windell L. Candano; 39) PO1 Loreto G. Capinding; 40) PO1 Gringo C. Cayang-O; 41) PO1 Romeo C. Cempron; 42) PO1 Mark Lory O. Clemencio; 43) PO1 Joseph G. Sagonoy; and 44) PO1 Oliebeth L. Viernes.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED,