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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. **6038**

Introduced by HON. LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Santa, Cruz literally means "Holy Cross", which is an appropriate name for the place considering the Christianization of the island province started during the 17th Century. The Church of Sta. Cruz, oldest in the entire province of Marinduque started construction in 1714, and the nearby Baluarte followed next.

Although Boac is the provincial capital of Marinduque, Sta. Cruz is larger in land area and population. Sta. Cruz is located on the west of Bontoc Peninsula. Aside from its historical landmarks and tourism potential, it also has a rich agricultural and aquatic resources that can be crucial to the Province of Marinduque's development.

The Municipality of Sta. Cruz celebrates the Feast of the Holy Cross on May 3 of every year, which happens to be its founding anniversary.

To give the people a special day to commemorate the history and anniversary of the municipality, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT DECLARING MAY 3 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. CRUZ, PROVINCE OF MARINDUQUE, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS "STA. CRUZ DAY".

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

Section 1. Sta. Cruz is a municipality in Marinduque known for its rich agricultural and aquatic resources as well as historical landmarks and tourism potential.

Section 2. May 3 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Sta. Cruz, Province of Marinduque to commemorate its founding anniversary.

Section 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,


LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO