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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. **7320**

Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE JOEL MAYO Z. ALMARIO**

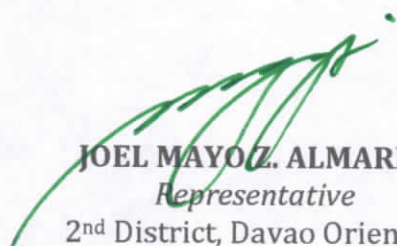
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare the third Saturday of November each year National Thanksgiving Day and proclaiming such a special nonworking holiday.

It is our duty as a nation, regardless of our religion, ethnicity, culture, beliefs, ideologies, gender identity, affiliations and organizations, to offer our supplications to the Higher Being we believe in. We must give thanks for the blessings that are continuously bestowed upon our people – food, shelter, education and health care, among others.

With the enactment of this bill, it is hoped that we nourish an attitude of gratefulness, leading to a more united and prosperous nation. May each National Thanksgiving Day instill in us, as Filipinos, the value of gratitude and appreciation.

Support for this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 **SECTION 1. *National Thanksgiving Day*** – The third Saturday of
2 November of every year is hereby declared “National Thanksgiving Day,” a
3 special nonworking holiday to be commemorated nationwide.

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5 **SECTION 2. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
6 after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2)
7 newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

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9 *Approved.*