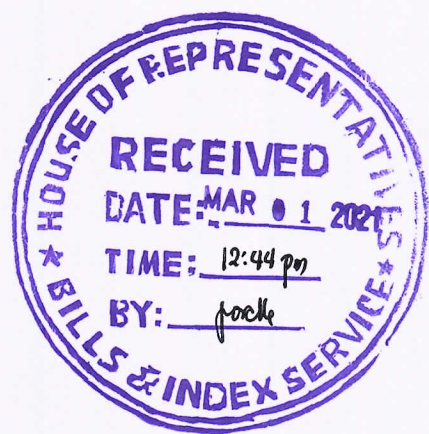




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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. 8828

INTRODUCED BY
REPRESENTATIVE CESAR “JAWO” L. JIMENEZ, JR.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On February 26, 1937, Commonwealth Act No. 39 otherwise known as “The Charter of the City of Zamboanga” was inaugurated. This marked the installation of the first set of appointed city officials led by Mayor Nicasio Valderosa.

The Charter of the City of Zamboanga is a monumental piece of legislation in the history of Mindanao, especially for the City of Zamboanga. The progress of the City today would not have been possible were it not for the Charter that have advanced and addressed the common desires of the Zamboangueños.

Every February 26, the City of Zamboanga befittingly commemorates its Charter Anniversary. Programs were held for this occasion, which would include sports festival, film festival, drum and lyre competition, the Grand Civic-Military Parade and other like festivities. Presidential Proclamations were also regularly issued declaring February 26 as a Special Non-Working Day in the City of Zamboanga paving an opportunity for Zamboangueños to celebrate the Charter Day anniversary.

The festivities celebrating the Charter Anniversary undeniably ignite unison among the Zamboangueños - the same kind of unity that its people demonstrated in 1937, a culture of tradition that the Zamboangueños intend to uphold for generations ahead.

To provide Zamboangueños full opportunity to celebrate and participate in this joyous occasion, the Charter Anniversary should be made a special non-working holiday. The passage of this bill would institutionalize the Charter Anniversary as an annual holiday and further strengthen the City's tradition in the observance of this occasion.

In view thereof, the immediate approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Cesar Jimenez', is enclosed within a hand-drawn oval border.

CESAR "JAWO" L. JIMENEZ, JR.



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AN ACT
DECLARING FEBRUARY 26 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF ZAMBOANGA IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS CITY
CHARTER ANNIVERSARY.

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

SECTION 1. February 26 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday in the City of Zamboanga in commemoration of its city charter anniversary.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,