

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City
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House Bill No. 5942



Introduced by
REPRESENTATIVE JASON P. ALMONTE

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure is a refiled version of House Bill 6808 which seeks to declare February 14 of every year as a Special Non-working Public Holiday in the Municipality of Calamba, Province of Misamis Occidental to commemorate the “Araw ng Calamba”. It was unanimously approved by the House on February 04, 2013 and transmitted to and received by the Senate on February 6, 2023 in the Fifteenth Congress.

The people of Calamba, referred to as Calambahanons, celebrate Araw ng Calamba every 14th of February, which is also Calamba’s Foundation Day Anniversary. To mark the occasion, a grand Festival called MENAJAK FESTIVAL, a Subanen word which means love, is also held annually. This event showcases the rich cultural heritage of the Subanens who first inhabited the municipality.

Declaring February 14 as “Araw ng Calamba” is to recognize the history, the unique and rich culture of the municipality and the contributions of its people.

In view of the foregoing, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.


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**AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 14 OF EVERY YEAR
AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALAMBA, PROVINCE OF
MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL TO COMMEMORATE THE
“ARAW NG CALAMBA”**

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

SECTION 1. February 14 of every year is hereby declared as a special non-working public holiday in the Municipality of Calamba, Province of Misamis Occidental to commemorate the “Araw ng Calamba”.

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

Approved,