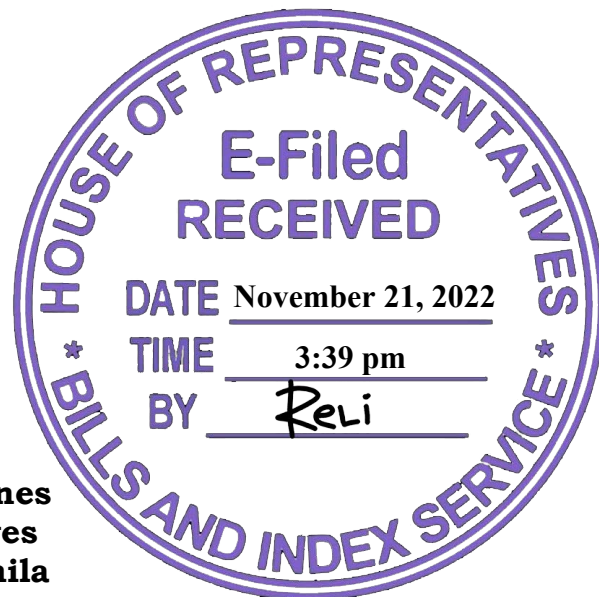




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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to promote agriculture and fishery development and give farmers and fisherfolk more opportunities to maximize their incomes and increase their contribution to the nation's wealth. Hence, the State should promote and raise awareness of the significant contribution of farmers and fisherfolk in nation-building and their specific role in putting food on our tables. To pursue this, this bill declares November of every year as "Buwan ng Magsasaka at Mangingisda." All schools and relevant government offices shall ensure a fitting celebration for the month-long event.

Hence, this representation seeks the passage of this measure.


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**AN ACT
DECLARING NOVEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL FARMERS AND
FISHERFOLK MONTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

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2 **SECTION. 1. Declaration of Policy.** It is the declared policy of the State
3 to accord the highest priority to the development of agriculture and fishery and
4 give farmers and fisherfolk more opportunities to maximize their incomes and
5 increase their contribution to the nation’s wealth. Towards this end, the State
6 shall promote and increase awareness on the significant contribution of farmers
7 and fisherfolk in nation building and their specific role in putting food on our
8 tables.

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10 **SEC. 2. Buwan ng Magsasaka at Mangingisda.** November of every
11 year is hereby declared as “Buwan ng Magsasaka at Mangingisda.” All schools
12 and relevant government offices
13 shall ensure suitable celebration for the month-long event.

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15 **SEC. 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** Within ninety (90) days
16 from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of Education, in collaboration
17 with the Departments of Agriculture, Agrarian Reform, Science and Technology,
18 Interior and Local Government, and Commission on Higher Education (CHED)

1 and their attached offices shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations
2 for the proper implementation of this Act.

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4 **SEC. 4. Appropriations.** The amount necessary to initially implement the
5 provisions of this Act shall be charged against the appropriations of the
6 concerned departments and agencies for the current year. Thereafter, such sums
7 as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the
8 appropriations of the concerned departments and agencies in the annual
9 General Appropriations Act (GAA).

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11 **SEC. 5. Separability Clause.** If any provision of this Act is declared
12 invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected by such declaration
13 shall remain in full force and effect.

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15 **SEC. 6. Repealing Clause.** All laws, executive orders, administrative
16 orders, and rules
17 and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended
18 accordingly.

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20 **SEC. 7. Effectivity Clause.** This Act shall take effect fifteen days (15) after
21 its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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24 Approved,