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House Bill No. 142



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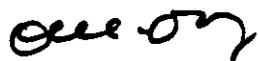
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The importance of declaring a non-working holiday commemorating a foundation day in barangay, municipality, or city gives the residents an opportunity to organize socio-cultural and economic activities that may result to perpetuation of history and culture of the place and facilitate income-generating or fund raising events.

Historically, Parañaque's name originated from the word "Parañac" which means shell product. Because of its proximity to the sea, all products and other manufactured goods which raw materials come from the sea became the major source of livelihood of Parañaque. Eventually, Parañaque became the center of trade and entrepreneurship of southern part of Metro Manila, vendors from different towns and localities put up a small scale business in the town which made Parañaque as one of the major trade of business centers in the Philippines. Today, Parañaque blossoms in to developed city which instigated the conversion of the town into highly-urbanized city through Republic Act No. 8507 entitled "AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF PARAÑAQUE INTO HIGHLY-URBANIZED CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF PARAÑAQUE."

On 23 July 2018, Republic Act No. 11460, amending RA 10807, was passed declaring February 13 as special non-working holiday in commemoration of the City's Foundation Day anniversary. Nonetheless, the advent of fast-pacing industries in Parañaque City require business and entrepreneurs to develop a scheme that might introduce the local products of the City. Trade fairs are believed to be the best way to introduce and test new products to the market which can be done during the celebration of Foundation Day of Parañaque City. Whereas, the need of holiday declaration ever February 13 of every year as Foundation Day of Parañaque City is hereby appealed by the said Local Government Unit to enable new products to be introduced in a large market. Also the culture and traditions being the main reasons of feast or celebration in the City will be preserved if the people are not pre-occupied by their regular work during the day. They are able to organize events like the traditional "Sunduan" and "caracol". All these will be made possible if non-working holiday every February 13 of every year will be declared.

Thus, the enactment of this bill amending RA 11460 is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 13 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-
WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF PARANAQUE, METRO MANILA,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11460**

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 11460 entitled "An Act Amending Republic Act No. 10807 or An Act Declaring a Working Holiday and No Class Day in Schools in the City of Paranaque. Metro Manila in Commemoration of its Foundation Day Anniversary is hereby amended. to read as follows:

"SECTION 1 February of every year is HEREBY declared as a special NON Working holiday [and no class day in schools in the City of Paranaque. Metro Manila. in commemoration of its foundation day anniversary. Upon proclamation of the President, February 13 of every year shall be a special nonworking holiday in the City of Paranaque. METRO MIANILA TO COMMEMORATE ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY

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

Approved,