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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

TWENTIETH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1116



Introduced by: **HON. ROMEO S. MOMO, SR.**

20th Congress of the Philippines (2025 – 2025)
District Representative, Surigao del Sur

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Madrid, a narrow land nestled along the coast of Surigao del Sur, derives its name from the illustrious capital city of Spain, Madrid. Currently, Madrid holds the classification as a 4th class municipality within the province of Surigao del Sur.

The Municipality of Madrid, Surigao del Sur, was established on February 2, 1953, marking a significant milestone in its history. Subsequently, on September 6, 1988, Municipal Ordinance No. 27 was duly adopted and approved by the Sangguniang Bayan of Madrid, Surigao del Sur, designating May 14 as the official "Araw ng Madrid." This ordinance came into effect on February 2, 1989, becoming an important date for the local community.

Recognizing the importance of this historical occasion and to pay homage to the patron saint of Madrid, Saint Isidore the Farmer, it is proposed that May 14 and 15 be declared as local special non-working holidays in Madrid, Surigao del Sur. This bill aims to celebrate the cultural significance, traditions, and the vibrant spirit of the community while fostering unity among its residents.

This bill seeks to solidify the recognition of May 14 and 15 annually as celebration of great importance to Madrid and its people, further strengthening the local identity and promoting community engagement.

In view of the foregoing, the early approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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ROMEO S. MOMO SR.
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**AN ACT DECLARING MAY 14 AND 15 OF EVERY YEAR AS A LOCAL SPECIAL
NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MADRID, SURIGAO
DEL SUR**

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

SECTION 1. The “Araw ng Madrid” is celebrated every May 14 and 15 annually.

SECTION 2. It coincides with the feast day of its patron saint, Saint Isidore the Farmer.

SECTION 3. May 14 and 15 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Madrid, Province of Surigao Del Sur, to be known as “Araw ng Madrid”.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.