

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 2820



Introduced by Rep. FERDINAND ALEXANDER A. MARCOS
1st District, Ilocos Norte

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare September 11 of every year a special non-working holiday in the Province of Ilocos Norte in commemoration of the birth anniversary of Former President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos.

A brilliant man, World War II veteran, distinguished legislator and a visionary president, "Apo Lakay", as he is held in high esteem, was born on September 11, 1917 in Sarrat, Ilocos Norte. As a Filipino leader, his accomplishments in nation-building are unparalleled.

It has been said that with or without a special holiday declaration, the birth anniversary is being celebrated annually by the Ilokano community to commemorate the former president's life, works and outstanding contributions to national development. However, it is but fitting and proper that the people of the province be formally given the opportunity to celebrate and participate in the occasion with appropriate ceremonies without having the need to undergo the process of requesting the issuance of a presidential proclamation for the purpose.

Similar measures have been filed and were approved on Third and Final Reading by the House of Representatives during the 17th and 18th Congress.

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


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AN ACT
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NORTE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH
ANNIVERSARY OF FORMER PRESIDENT FERDINAND
EDRALIN MARCOS, TO BE KNOWN AS “PRESIDENT
FERDINAND EDRALIN MARCOS DAY”

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

SECTION 1. September 11 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the Province of Ilocos Norte in commemoration of the birth anniversary of former President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos, to be known as “President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos Day.”

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,