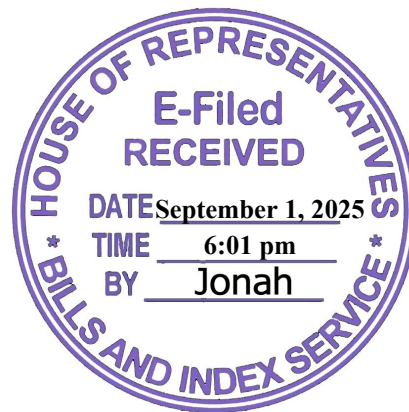


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HOUSE BILL NO. **4283**



Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE MARK O. COJUANGCO**

AN ACT
DECLARING SEPTEMBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASISTA, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN,
TO BE KNOWN AS “BASISTA DAY”, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING
ANNIVERSARY

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Basista was officially established as an independent municipality on September 5, 1961, through Executive Order No. 446 issued by then President Carlos P. Garcia. This date carries deep historical and emotional significance for the people of Basista, as it marks the inception of our journey toward self-governance, collective development, and communal identity.

Declaring September 5 of every year as a special nonworking holiday recognizes this pivotal moment in our town’s history and allows our residents to meaningfully participate in commemorative programs. Such observance fosters the strengthening of community bonds, provides an opportunity for reflection on our shared heritage, and honors the legacy of our forebears who laid the foundations of our beloved municipality.

Moreover, institutionalizing this holiday aligns with our commitment to uplifting local communities. By granting citizens the time to gather in celebration and remembrance, we reinforce civic pride and foster inclusive engagement in heritage-building activities.

With the foregoing, the immediate passage of the bill is humbly and earnestly sought.


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

SECTION 1. September 5 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the Municipality of Basista, Province of Pangasinan, to be known as “Basista Day”, in commemoration of its founding anniversary.

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

Approved,