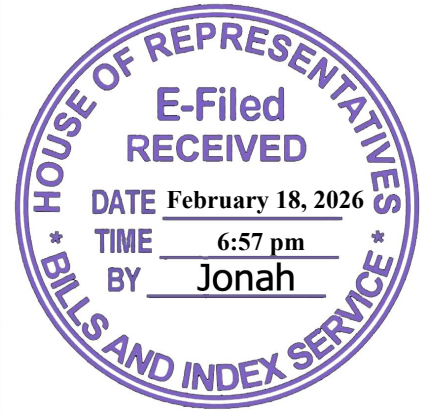


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

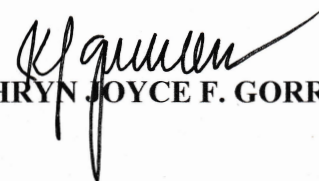
This bill seeks to declare December 29 of every year as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Leon in honor of Captain Jose Calugas Sr. Its purpose is for the amendment of Republic Act No. 10805, which simply declares December 29 as a working holiday in the said municipality.

Captain Jose Calugas Sr., born on December 29, 1907 in Leon, was a member of the Philippine Scouts during World War II. He received the Medal of Honor for his bravery and heroism during the Battle of Bataan. He also fought for the liberation of the Philippines from the Japanese.

Therefore, declaring December 29 as a special non-working holiday for the Municipality of Leon, allows the Leonians to further give importance to their history and identity and to give them ample opportunities to honor their descendants. This is also to allow them to work together to continue their progress as a municipality and further reflect towards their contribution to nation building and the betterment of its people.

So as to fully recognize the significance of this day in giving honor and to recognize the lasting impact and influence of the heroism of Captain Jose Calugas, Sr., December 29 should be declared as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Leon amending the previous Republic Act No. 10805 which declared it merely as a working holiday.

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


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DECLARING DECEMBER 29TH OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING
HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LEON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10805, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "JOSE
CALUGAS DAY"

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 10805 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. December 29 of every year is hereby declared a special **NONWORKING** holiday in the Municipality of Leon, Province of Iloilo, to be known as "Jose Calugas Day" in honor of Captain Jose Calugas Sr.

SECTION 2. *Effectivity.*- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,