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House Bill No. **10824**



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Introduced by **HON. BAMBI B. EMANO & HON. JENNIFER A. LAGBAS**

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**AN ACT DECLARING EVERY 1ST DAY OF MARCH OF EVERY YEAR A  
SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF  
BALINGOAN, MISAMIS ORIENTAL, IN CELEBRATION OF THE BALING  
NI JUAN FESTIVAL**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The Municipality of Balingoan, Province of Misamis Oriental, celebrates the Baling ni Juan Festival every 1st day of March. The festival marks Balingoan's founding anniversary and honors the town's coastal identity and legends through maritime boat races and street dances themed around the traditional fishnet ("baling").

The celebration serves as a fitting tribute to the municipality's rich cultural heritage, coastal traditions, and enduring connection to the sea. It likewise promotes local tourism, strengthens community solidarity, and preserves the customs and traditions that have shaped the identity of the people of Balingoan.

Declaring every 1st day of March as a special non-working holiday in the Municipality of Balingoan will enable residents and visitors to fully participate in the festivities, foster civic pride, and further promote the municipality's historical and cultural heritage.

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

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

**SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known as the "**Baling ni Juan Festival Act.**"

**SECTION 2.** The **Baling ni Juan Festival** is hereby declared as the official festival of the **Municipality of Balingoan, Province of Misamis Oriental**. The festival marks Balingoan's founding anniversary and honors the town's coastal identity and legends through maritime boat races and street dances themed around the traditional fishnet ("baling").

**SECTION 3.** The **first (1st) day of March of every year** is hereby declared a **special non-working holiday** in the Municipality of Balingoan in celebration of the Baling ni Juan Festival.

**SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,