



Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 285

Submitted by the Committee on Local Government on May 13, 2026

Re: House Bill No. 2224

Recommending its approval with amendments

Sponsors: Representatives Florencio T. Miraflores and Charisse Anne C. Hernandez

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Local Government to which was referred **House Bill No. 2224**, introduced by Representative Charisse Anne C. Hernandez, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 21 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CALAMBA, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS CITYHOOD ANNIVERSARY”

has considered the same and recommends its approval with the following amendments:

1. On line 2, after “cityhood anniversary”, insert a comma and the phrase “honor its establishment and celebrate its progress and achievements”;
2. On line 6, insert a new Section 2 to read as follows:

“SEC. 2. THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF CALAMBA SHALL ENSURE THE MEANINGFUL OBSERVANCE OF THE HOLIDAY THROUGH APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, IN COORDINATION WITH RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS, TO PROMOTE AWARENESS OF ITS HISTORICAL, CULTURAL, AND SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE.”

3. On line 12, renumber Section 2 as Section 3.

4. Lastly, amend the title of the bill to read as follows:

**“AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 21 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-
WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CALAMBA, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA,
IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS CITYHOOD ANNIVERSARY”**

with Representatives Charisse Anne C. Hernandez and Florencio T. Miraflores as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Chairperson
Committee on Local Government

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
House of Representatives
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HOUSE BILL NO. **2224**



Introduced by **Hon. Charisse Anne C. Hernandez**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Calamba City takes pride in being the birthplace of our National Hero, Dr. Jose Rizal. It obtained its status as a component city in the Province of Laguna through Republic Act No. 9024, enacted on March 5, 2001, and solidified through a plebiscite on April 21, 2001. Currently, Calamba is recognized as a first-class Component City based on income.

In honor of its cityhood, April 21 has been declared a special non-working holiday in Calamba through Presidential Proclamations.

This proposal seeks to formalize this recognition by declaring April 21 of every year as a special nonworking holiday in the City of Calamba, providing an opportunity for residents to celebrate the city's remarkable potential.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charisse' followed by a stylized flourish.

CHARISSE ANNE C. HERNANDEZ

Representative

Lone District, Calamba City



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AN ACT

**DECLARING APRIL 21 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY
IN THE CITY OF CALAMBA, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, IN COMMEMORATION OF
ITS CITYHOOD ANNIVERSARY**

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

SECTION 1. *April 21 of every year is declared a special nonworking holiday in the City of
Calamba, Province of Laguna to commemorate its Cityhood 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,



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

1 **SECTION 1.** April 21 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday
2 in the City of Calamba, Province of Laguna, to commemorate its cityhood anniversary,
3 **HONOR ITS ESTABLISHMENT AND CELEBRATE ITS PROGRESS AND**
4 **ACHIEVEMENTS.**

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6 **SEC. 2. THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF CALAMBA SHALL ENSURE THE**
7 **MEANINGFUL OBSERVANCE OF THE HOLIDAY THROUGH APPROPRIATE**
8 **PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, IN COORDINATION WITH RELEVANT**
9 **GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS, TO PROMOTE AWARENESS**
10 **OF ITS HISTORICAL, CULTURAL, AND SOCIAL SIGNIFICANCE.**

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12 **SEC. [2] 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
13 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,