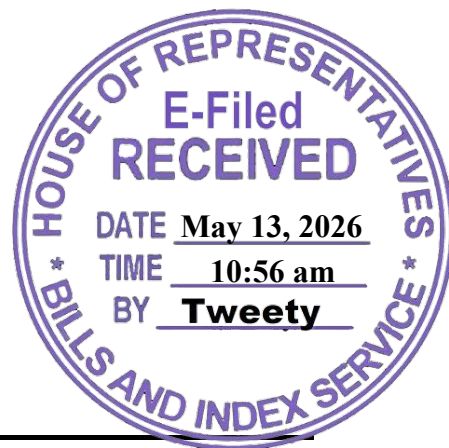




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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 289

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

Re: House Bill No. 494

Recommending its approval with amendments

Sponsors: Representatives Florencio T. Miraflores and Tsuyoshi Anthony "Hori" G. Horibata

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Local Government to which was referred **House Bill No. 494**, introduced by Representative Tsuyoshi Anthony "Hori" G. Horibata, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR AS "ARAW NG DEL GALLEGO", A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DEL GALLEGO, CAMARINES SUR"

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

1. On line 2, insert "Province of Camarines Sur," after "Municipality of Del Gallego,";
2. On line 3, after "founding anniversary", insert a comma and the phrase "to honor its establishment and celebrate its progress and achievements"; and
3. On line 6, insert a new Section 2 to read as follows:
"SEC. 2. THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF DEL GALLEGO 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."
4. On line 12, renumber Section 2 as Section 3.

with Representatives Tsuyoshi Anthony "Hori" G. Horibata, Miguel Luis R. Villafuerte, and Florencio T. Miraflores as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

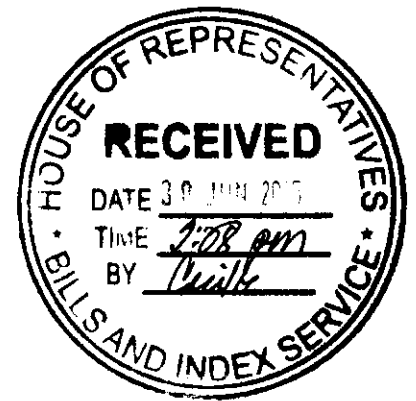

FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Chairperson
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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. 494



Introduced by **HON. TSUYOSHI ANTHONY "HORI" G. HORIBATA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Municipality of Del Gallego, located in Camarines Sur, owes its historical importance to the visionary initiatives of Don Juan del Gallego. In 1936, he, in collaboration with Assemblyman Francisco Celebrado, tirelessly championed a bill in the National Assembly aimed at separating Barrio Danawin from Ragay and establishing it as an autonomous municipality. This endeavor came to fruition on October 5, 1936, when Executive Order No. 56, issued by the late President Manuel L. Quezon, officially confirmed this transformation and bestowed upon it the name "Municipality of Del Gallego" in honor of its founder.^{[1][2]}

Since then, Del Gallego has transformed into a thriving and forward-thinking community, a testament to the commitment of its residents and the visionary guidance of its founder and first mayor, Don Juan del Gallego. To mark this significant moment in our local history, we suggest establishing October 5 as "Araw ng Del Gallego," a special non-working holiday.

This legislation not only recognizes the significant contributions of Don Juan del Gallego, Assemblyman Francisco Celebrado, and those who shaped Del Gallego's past but also embraces its promising future by establishing "Araw ng Del Gallego." This designation encourages reflection on our rich history and cultural heritage, fostering a vibrant and prosperous future.

I urge our esteemed colleagues in this honorable House to support and pass this bill, reaffirming our commitment to preserving Del Gallego's legacy, ensuring that "Araw ng Del Gallego" remains a day of celebration and remembrance for generations to come.

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


TSUYOSHI ANTHONY "HORI" G. HORIBATA

¹www.lawphil.net/executive/execord/eo1936/eo_56_1936.html

²angkangpilipino.wordpress.com/2005/04/01/the-town-of-del-gallego

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HOUSE BILL NO. 434

Introduced by **HON. TSUYOSHI ANTHONY "HORI" G. HORIBATA**

**AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR AS "ARAW NG DEL GALLEGO", A SPECIAL
NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DEL GALLEGO, CAMARINES SUR**

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

SECTION 1. *October 5 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday in the
Municipality of Del Gallego, to be known as "Araw ng Del Gallego," in commemoration of its
founding anniversary.*

SECTION 2. Effectivity. – *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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HOUSE BILL NO. 494

Introduced by **Representatives Tsuyoshi Anthony "Hori" G. Horibata, Miguel Luis R. Villafuerte, and Florencio T. Miraflores**

AN ACT
DECLARING OCTOBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR AS "ARAW NG DEL GALLEGO", A
SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DEL
GALLEGO, CAMARINES SUR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** October 5 of every year is hereby declared a special non-working holiday
2 in the Municipality of Del Gallego, **PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR**, to be known as
3 “*Araw ng Del Gallego*”, in commemoration of its founding anniversary, **TO HONOR ITS**
4 **ESTABLISHMENT AND CELEBRATE ITS PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS.**

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6 **SEC. 2. THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF DEL GALLEGO SHALL**
7 **ENSURE THE MEANINGFUL OBSERVANCE OF THE HOLIDAY THROUGH**
8 **APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, IN COORDINATION WITH**
9 **RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS, TO PROMOTE**
10 **AWARENESS 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.

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Approved,