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Metro Manila

Thirteenth Congress

Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day  
of July, two thousand six.

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[ REPUBLIC ACT No. **9492** ]

AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL  
HOLIDAYS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26,  
CHAPTER 7, BOOK I OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, AS  
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987

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

SECTION 1. Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive  
Order No. 292, as amended, otherwise known as the  
Administrative Code of 1987, is hereby amended to read as  
follows:

“SEC. 26. *Regular Holidays and Nationwide  
Special Days.* – (1) Unless otherwise modified by law,



order or proclamation, the following regular holidays and special days shall be observed in the country:

a) Regular Holidays

New Year's Day	- January 1
Maundy Thursday	- Movable Date
Good Friday	- Movable Date
<i>Eidul Fitr</i>	- Movable Date
Araw ng Kagitingan (Bataan and Corregidor Day)	- Monday nearest April 9
Labor Day	- Monday nearest May 1
Independence Day	- Monday nearest June 12
National Heroes Day	- Last Monday of August
Bonifacio Day	- Monday nearest November 30
Christmas Day	- December 25
Rizal Day	- Monday nearest December 30

b) Nationwide Special Holidays

Ninoy Aquino Day	- Monday nearest August 21
All Saints Day	- November 1
Last Day of the Year	- December 31

c) In the event the holiday falls on a Wednesday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday of that week. If the holiday falls on a Sunday, the holiday will be observed on the Monday that follows:

*Provided*, That for movable holidays, the President shall issue a proclamation, at least six months prior to the holiday concerned, the specific date that shall be declared as a nonworking day:

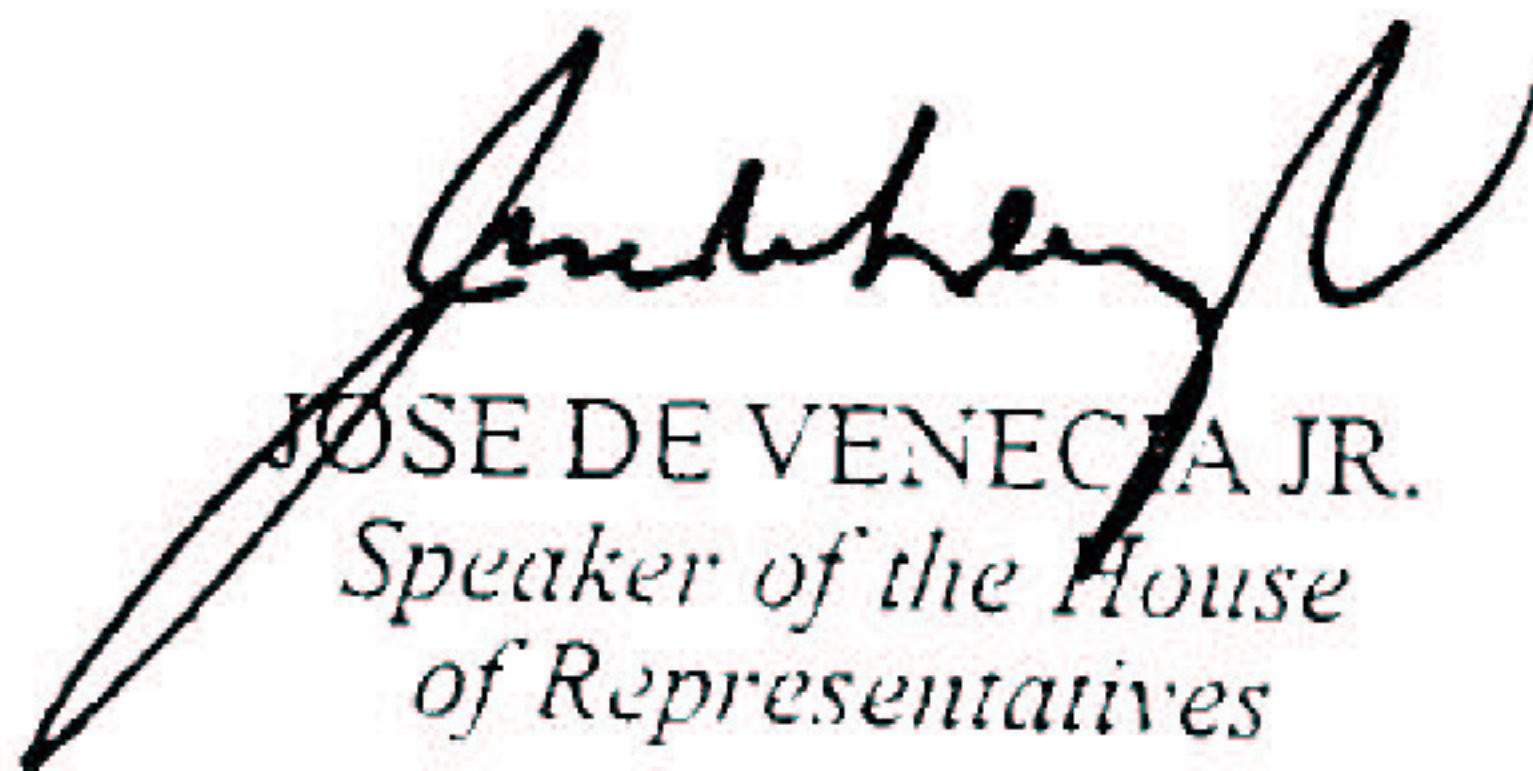
*Provided, however*, That *Eidul Adha* shall be celebrated as a regional holiday in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao."

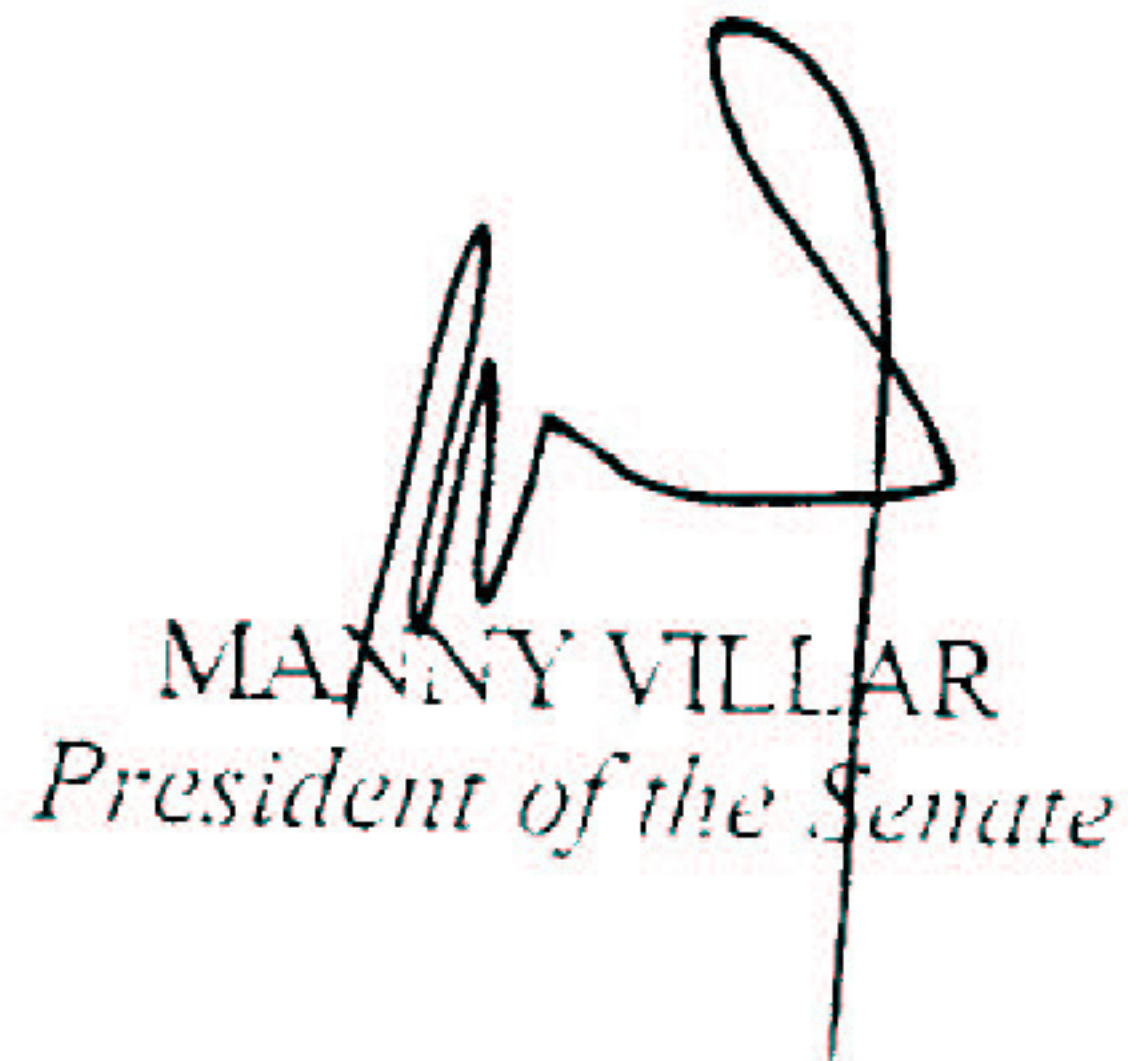


SEC. 2. All laws, orders, presidential issuances, rules and regulations or part thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

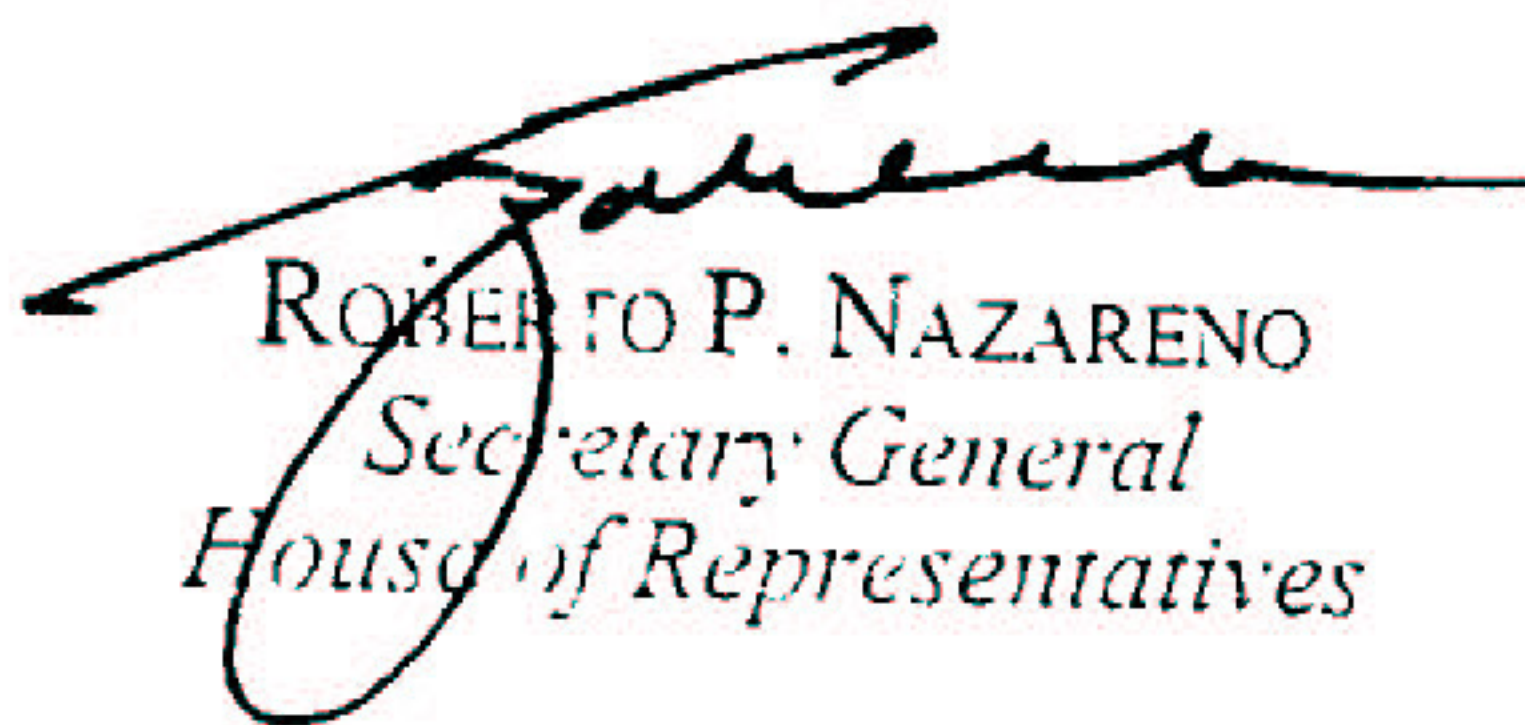
SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its publication in at least two newspapers of general circulation.

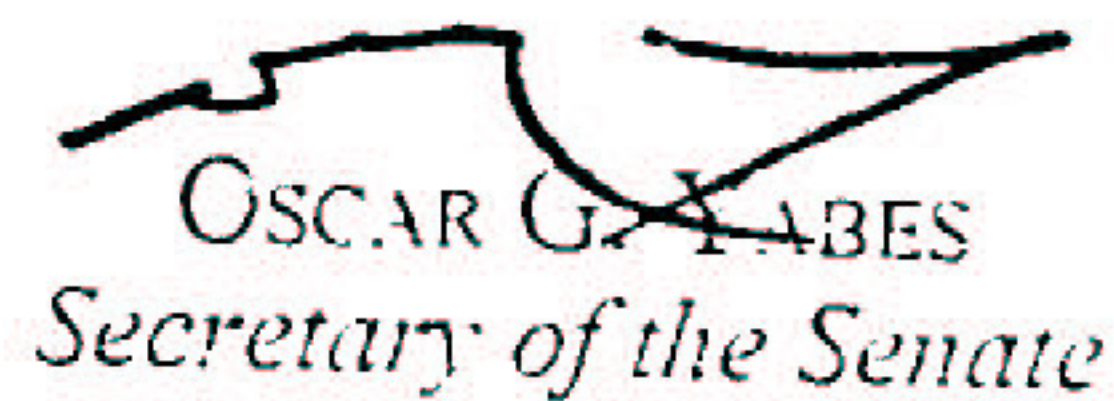
Approved,

  
JOSE DE VENEZIA JR.  
*Speaker of the House  
of Representatives*

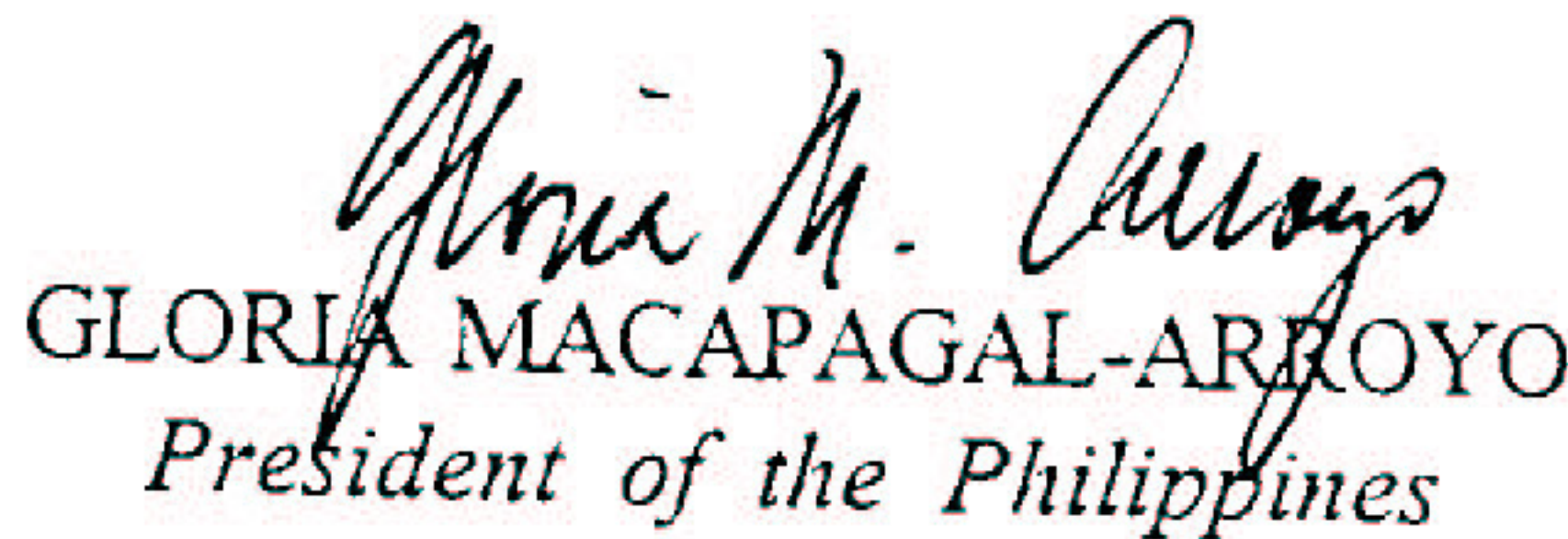
  
MANNY VILLAR  
*President of the Senate*

This Act which originated in the Senate was finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on January 30, 2007 and February 7, 2007, respectively.

  
ROBERTO P. NAZARENO  
*Secretary General  
House of Representatives*

  
OSCAR G. YABES  
*Secretary of the Senate*

Approved: **JUL 24 2007**

  
GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO  
*President of the Philippines*

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