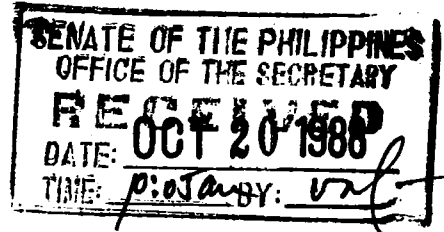


CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Second Regular Session)



S E N A T E

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 403

Submitted by the Committee on Local Government on October 5, 1988. **OCT 20 1988**

RE: HOUSE BILL NO. 13337

Recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsor: Senator Pimentel, Jr.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Local Government to which was referred House Bill No. 13337, introduced by Congressmen Lacson, Matti, Puey, Yulo, Laguda, Guanzon and Congresswoman Starke, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL"

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the bill be approved without amendment.

Respectfully submitted:

AQUILINO Q. PIMENTEL, JR.
Chairman



ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Vice-Chairman

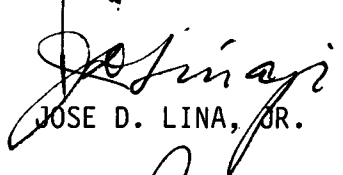
MEMBERS


EDGARDO J. ANGARA

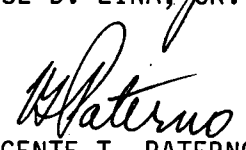
JOSEPH E. ESTRADA


NERTALI A. GONZALES

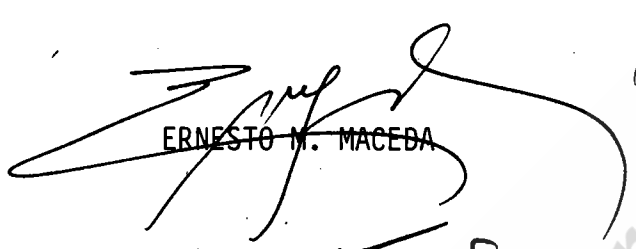

SOTERO H. LAUREL


JOSE D. LINA, JR.

JOHN H. OSMENA


VICENTE T. PATERNO


ERNESTO F. HERRERA


ERNESTO M. MACEDA


RENE A.V. SAGUISAG

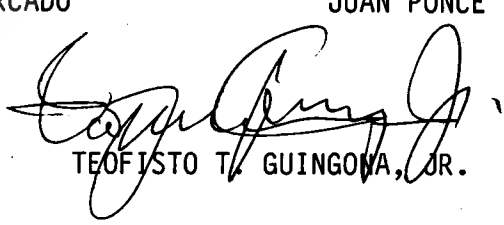

WIGBERTO E. TANADA

LETICIA R. SHAHANI

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

ORLANDO S. MERCADO

JUAN PONCE ENRILE


TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.



THE HONORABLE JOVITO R. SALONGA
The Senate President
Senate
Manila

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila



First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 13337

Introduced by Honorable Jose Carlos V. Lacson, Honorable
Eduardo Matti, Honorable Manuel Puey, Honorable Mariano
Yulo, Honorable Salvador Laguda, Honorable Hortencia L.
Starke, Honorable Romeo Guanzon

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Attach ' bill seeks to declare November five of every year a non-working special public holiday in the Province of Negros Occidental to commemorate the liberation of the province.

Recorded history of the province attests that Negros Occidental gained her independence from Spain when the Filipino revolutionary forces under the leadership of three generals namely, Anecito Lacson, Juan Araneta and Rafael Ramos on November 5, 1898.

On that fateful day the Filipino revolutionaries fought the Spanish troops in the town of Talisay and Bago, causing the death of many patriots. It also brought about the triumph and freedom for the people of the province. It was a significant contribution to the collective national struggle for independence from Spain. And yet the painful fact remains that the Three Filipino Generals and the hundreds of Filipino revolutionaries who fought with them so valiantly were never given an honor or national recognition. Justice and equity dictates that these heroes struggle for freedom be accorded its rightful place in history by declaring November five of each year a non-working special public holiday in Negros Occidental. In so doing, we shall be able to inculcate in our people the values of patriotism and nationalism in concrete terms, by commemorating the glorious heritage of history, from which every living Filipino can draw a sense of hope, pride and triumph.

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

Jose Carlos V. Lacson *Eduardo Matti* *Manuel Puey*
JOSE CARLOS V. LACSON EDUARDO MATTI MANUEL PUEY

Mariano Yulo *Hortencia L. Starke* *Romeo G. Guanzon*
MARIANO YULO HORTENCIA L. STARKE ROMEO G. GUANZON

Salvador Laguda
SALVADOR LAGUDA