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BY REPRESENTATIVES ANGARA, TEODORO, REYES (V.), OCAMPO, CASIÑO, MAZA, ILAGAN, MARIANO, PINGOY, COLMENARES, GONZALES (N.) AND DE GUZMAN, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2164

## AN ACT DECLARING MAY 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS "HEALTH WORKERS' DAY"

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

- 1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Health Workers' Day 2 Act".
- 3 SEC. 2. May 7 of every year is hereby declared as a special working 4 holiday to be known as "Health Workers' Day" to give due recognition to the
- 5 important role and contributions of the health workers who provide vital health
- 6 services to our people and to promote their rights and welfare and enchance
- 7 their sense of worth and dignity.

SEC. 3. For purposes of this Act, the term "health workers" shall cover
all persons engaged in health and health-related services, including medical
and allied professionals and support services personnel, who work in hospitals
sanitaria, health centers, clinics and other health-related establishments in the
public and private sectors.

SEC. 4. All heads of government health facilities, offices and instrumentalities, including government-owned and -controlled hospitals, as well as local government health units, and employers in the private sector, shall encourage and afford sufficient time and opportunities for their employees to engage and participate in any activity to mark "Health Workers' Day" to ensure the meaningful observance of the holiday as herein declared.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,