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PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1225

AN ACT DESIGNATING THE 3RD SUNDAY OF NOVEMBER
EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF
REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD CRASH VICTIMS,
SURVIVORS, AND THEIR FAMILIES, ENSURING ITS
MEANINGFUL OBSERVANCE

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

1 SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “National
2 Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims, Survivors, and
3 their Families Act”.

4 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is the policy of the State
5 to nurture a Filipino society that is aware of the causes,
6 consequences, and costs of road crash deaths and injuries and
7 that values human lives by way of remembering the victims
8 of road crashes, recognizing the sufferings of their affected

1 families and communities and advocating for the improvement
2 of the Philippine road safety situation to prevent the wastage of
3 more lives.

4 SEC. 3. *National Day of Remembrance.* – Every 3rd Sunday
5 of November of each year is hereby declared as the “National Day
6 of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims, Survivors, and their
7 Families”.

8 SEC. 4. *Mandatory Activities.* – To ensure the meaningful
9 observance of the National Day of Remembrance as herein
10 declared, the Department of Transportation (DOTr), in coordination
11 with the Department of the Interior and Local Government
12 (DILG), Land Transportation Office (LTO), Land Transportation
13 Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) and the Metropolitan
14 Manila Development Authority (MMDA), shall ensure the
15 implementation of the following programs and activities:

16 (a) Commemorative ceremonies, including flower-laying
17 activities, candlelight vigil, solidarity march and special assemblies,
18 shall be observed in provinces, cities and municipalities nationwide
19 for road crash victims and survivors, involving their families and
20 support groups.

21 As a sign of support, local government units (LGUs) are
22 encouraged to put up memorials and tributes in strategic local public
23 spaces or road networks to commemorate the lives that were lost
24 and/or injured and to promote road safety to the public.

25 (b) Special recognition shall be given to public officers, private
26 stakeholders, volunteers and organizations who are instrumental
27 in saving lives or supporting victims, survivors and their families.

1 (c) In coordination with the Department of Health,
2 Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department of
3 Justice and other concerned agencies, the DOTr shall conduct
4 multisectoral symposia, conferences or consultations focusing
5 on: (1) how to improve the trauma care system and emotional
6 support programs given to victims, survivors and their families;
7 (2) how to improve the legal response, including resolution of
8 pending cases and investigations and immediate compensation of
9 victims and/or their families; and (3) how to improve the road safety
10 situation by addressing the key risk factors to prevent the
11 occurrence of similar road crash incidents.

12 (d) The DOTr, with the assistance of other government
13 agencies and private stakeholders, shall conduct public awareness
14 campaigns that provide a platform to victims and survivors of
15 road crashes, including their families, to advocate for road safety.

16 (e) The government shall launch and maintain a government
17 website or a social media platform dedicated to road safety
18 awareness which shall include a database registry that honors
19 road crash victims and survivors.

20 (f) The flag raising ceremonies in government offices the day
21 or week immediately after the National Day of Remembrance
22 shall be dedicated to road crash victims, survivors, and their
23 families, and shall provide a platform for bereaved or affected
24 employees to advocate the need for road safety.

25 (g) Other related programs and activities as may be
26 determined in the implementing rules and regulations.

1 SEC. 5. *DOTr as Lead Agency.* – The DOTr shall be the
2 lead agency in the meaningful observance of the National Day of
3 Remembrance each year. In collaboration with public and private
4 stakeholders, national and/or local steering committees may also be
5 created for effective observance of the said event.

6 SEC. 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The DOTr
7 shall, in collaboration with the DILG, LTO, LTFRB, MMDA
8 and other concerned agencies and stakeholders, promulgate the
9 necessary implementing rules and regulations within sixty (60)
10 days from the effectivity of this Act.

11 SEC. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any part
12 or provision of this Act is declared invalid, such declaration shall
13 not affect the other provisions of this Act.

14 SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – Any law, presidential decree or
15 issuance, executive order, administrative order, rule or regulation
16 contrary to, or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is
17 hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

18 SEC. 9. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
19 days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper
20 of general circulation.

Approved,

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