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AN ACT

PROCLAIMING THE FIRST MONDAY OF AUGUST OF EVERY YEAR AS LINEMEN APPRECIATION DAY

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the "National
 Linemen Appreciation Day Act".

3 SEC. 2. *Declaration of State Policy.* - The State recognizes the 4 country's continued economic growth and development by maintaining 5 reliable supply of electricity to the different industries and households, 6 through a well-maintained distribution and transmission electrical system 7 thus, it acknowledges the role of the electrical line workers in the quest for 8 sustainable rural development through total electrification of the countryside 9 and appreciates the contribution of our line workers in nation-building.

SEC. 3. National Linemen Appreciation Day. - The first Monday of
 August of every year is hereby declared as National Linemen Appreciation
 Day.

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SEC. 4. Program of Activities. - The National Electrification 1 Administration (NEA) shall, in coordination with other stakeholders in the 2 power industry including electric cooperatives, National Grid Corporation of 3 4 the Philippines, National Transmission Corporation, Philippine Electric Plant 5 Owners Association, Manila Electric Company and other organizations employing linemen, shall conduct lecture sessions for linemen, such as, 6 trainings and seminars to ensure the significance of the National Linemen 7 Appreciation Day and its meaningful observance. 8

9 The NEA shall spearhead the conduct of an annual national convention 10 as part of the program of activities for this day. Electric cooperatives shall 11 likewise support the NEA in all its efforts to promote and facilitate related 12 activities.

The Department of Energy and private distribution utilities including power transmission companies and telecommunications companies are hereby enjoined to launch activities such as trainings, seminars and learning sessions for linemen in celebration of the National Linemen Appreciation Day.

SEC. 5. Separability Clause. - If for any reason, any provision of this
Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected
thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

20 SEC. 6. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, executive orders, issuances, 21 decrees, rules and regulations inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions 22 of this Act are hereby amended, modified, and repealed accordingly.

SEC. 7. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen days (15) after its
 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
 Approved,

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