



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



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
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House Bill No. 4595

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Introduced by Representatives Ria Christina G. Fariñas  
and Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas I

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Ferdinand Edralin Marcos, the 10<sup>th</sup> President of the Republic of the Philippines (1965-1986), was born on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 1917 in Sarrat, Ilocos Norte, to spouses Mariano Marcos and Josefa Edralin. The young Ferdinand displayed extraordinary memory and brilliance and eventually topped the 1939 Philippine Bar examinations.

He served as a member of the House of Representatives for two (2) terms until his election as a Senator in 1959, and becoming the Senate President in 1963. In 1965, he was elected President of the Philippines and was re-elected in 1969, becoming the first president to serve a second term. For his twenty-year tenure as President, his advocacies focused on building infrastructure, roads, hospitals and other societal services.

For the people of Ilocos Norte, the young and promising Marcos has brought pride to the province and served as inspiration for young leaders to exemplify his leadership and governance administration. It is thus aimed by this proposal to have the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September be declared as a special nonworking holiday in the Province of Ilocos Norte, to be known as "President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos Day."

This measure is a refiled bill from House Bill No. 2615, authored by former Representative Rodolfo C. Fariñas and several other House Members, which was approved on Third Reading by the House of Representatives in the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress on May 2, 2018.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

  
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AN ACT

DECLARING SEPTEMBER 11 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF FORMER PRESIDENT FERDINAND EDRALIN MARCOS TO BE KNOWN AS "PRESIDENT FERDINAND EDRALIN MARCOS DAY"

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

**Section 1.** September 11 of every year is declared a special nonworking holiday in the Province of Ilocos Norte in commemoration of the birth anniversary of former President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos to be known as "President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos Day".

**Sec. 2.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,