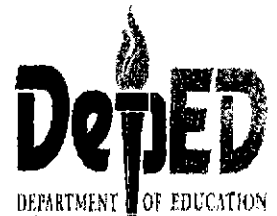




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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. **121**, s. 2004

**DECLARING AUGUST 21 OF EVERY YEAR AS NINOY AQUINO DAY, A SPECIAL
NONWORKING HOLIDAY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau of Directors
Directors of Services/Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Chiefs of Divisions
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of Republic Act No. 9256 dated February 25, 2004 entitled "An Act Declaring August 21 of Every Year As Ninoy Aquino Day, A Special Nonworking Holiday, And For Other Purposes", which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS
Secretary

Encl.:
As stated

Reference:
DepEd Memorandum: No. 259, s. 2003

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S. No. 2636
H. No. 6240

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila

Twelfth Congress

Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-eighth day
of July, two thousand three.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9256]

AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 21 OF EVERY YEAR AS NINOY
AQUINO DAY, A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. *Ninoy Aquino Day.* - In order to commemorate the
death anniversary of former Senator Benigno "Ninoy" S. Aquino, Jr.,
August twenty-one of every year is hereby declared as the Ninoy Aquino
day which shall be a national nonworking holiday.

SEC. 2. *Edsa Commission.* - The EDSA Commission created
pursuant to Executive Order No. 82 (s. 1999) shall plan and implement
appropriate ceremonies for the observance of the Ninoy Aquino Day.

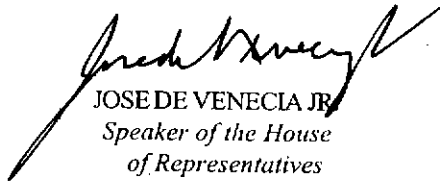
SEC. 3. *Funding.* - The operations of the EDSA Commission shall be funded from the Budget of the Office of the President and from private donations. Funds accruing to and expenses made by the EDSA Commission shall be subject to the usual accounting rules and procedures.

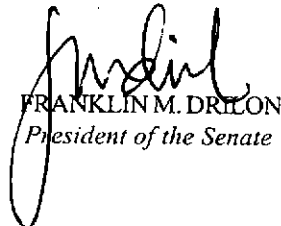
SEC. 4. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, presidential decrees, orders, issuances, rules and regulations and any part thereof inconsistent, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, all other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid.

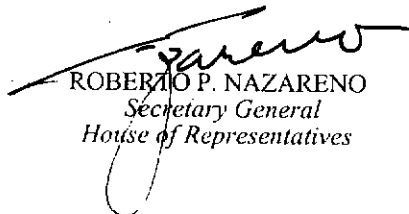
SEC. 6. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

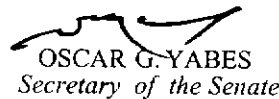
Approved,


JOSE DE VENECIA JR.
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*

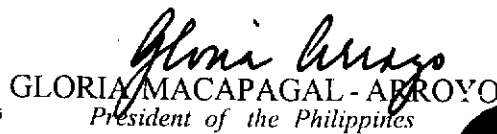

FRANKLIN M. DRILON
President of the Senate

This Act which is a consolidation of Senate Bill No. 2636 and House Bill No. 6240, was finally passed by the Senate and House of Representatives on November 19, 2003 and January 26, 2004, respectively.


ROBERTO P. NAZARENO
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*


OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate

Approved: FEB 25 2004


GLORIA MACAPAGAL - ARROYO
President of the Philippines



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