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DepED MEMORANDUM
No. **326**, s. 2009

DISSEMINATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of Republic Act No. 9645 dated June 12, 2009 entitled "**An Act Declaring July 27 of Every Year as a Special National Working Holiday in Recognition of the Founding Anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo in the Philippines, Amending for the Purpose Section 26, Chapter 7 of Executive Order No. 292, Otherwise Known as the Administrative Code of 1987, as Amended**".
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FRANKLIN C. SUNGA
Undersecretary

Encl.: As stated
Reference: None
Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CELEBRATIONS & FESTIVALS
OFFICIALS

H. No. 5410
S. No. 3281

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila
Fourteenth Congress
Second Regular Session

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

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645]

AN ACT DECLARING JULY 27 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NATIONAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN RECOGNITION OF THE FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO IN THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26, CHAPTER 7 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987, AS AMENDED

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known and cited as the "Commemoration of the Founding Anniversary of Iglesia ni Cristo Act".

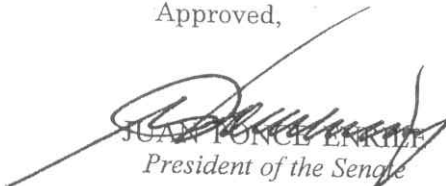
SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is the declared policy of the State to observe the founding anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo every 27th of July in recognition of its exemplary feat of leading its members towards spiritual enlightenment and good citizenry.

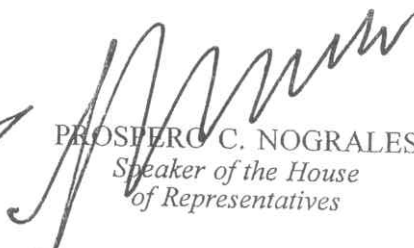
SEC. 3. *National Holiday.* – July 27 of every year is hereby declared as a special national working holiday in commemoration of the founding anniversary of the Iglesia ni Cristo in the Philippines.

SEC. 4. *Repealing Clause.* – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.


Approved,


 JUAN PONCE ENRILE
 President of the Senate



 PROSPERO C. NOGRALES
 Speaker of the House
 of Representatives

This Act which is a consolidation of House Bill No. 5410 and Senate Bill No. 3281 was finally passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on June 3, 2009.


 EMMA LIRIO-REYES
 Secretary of the Senate


 MARILYN B. BARUA-YA
 Secretary General
 House of Representatives


Approved: JUN 12 2009


 GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO
 President of the Philippines



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 DIRECTOR IV
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