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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This proposed measure is filed to serve as the counterpart bill of House Bill No. 3677, which was approved on Third Reading in the Fifteenth Congress.

Sharing the same view and belief of the bill's proponents in the House of Representatives, the State declared policy of recognizing the vital role of the youth in nation building is undeniably advanced and promoted. The bill's passage is likewise in keeping with the avowed duty of the State to inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.<sup>1</sup>

In view thereof, consideration and approval of this proposal is requested.

FRANCIS G. ESCUDERO

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 13, Article II, Constitution.

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## AN ACT DECLARING THE SEVENTEENTH OF NOVEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL STUDENTS' DAY

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

Section 1. This Act shall be known as the National Students' Day Act.

Sec. 2. November 17 of every year is hereby declared as National Students' Day in the entire country to honor the efforts of student leaders of the past and to foster student leadership and academic excellence among the students of the present.

Sec. 3. Pursuant to the observance of the National Students' Day, an annual program of activities shall be prepared and implemented with the National Youth Commission (NYC) as the lead agency.

In support thereof, the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) shall facilitate and promote the commemoration of this day in all public and private schools. The Philippine Information Agency (PIA), in coordination with the NYC, the DepEd and the CHED, shall ensure the effective information dissemination of this Act.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,