

#### MALACAÑAN PALACE MANILA

# BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

#### **PROCLAMATION NO. 50**

### DECLARING THE REGULAR HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAYS FOR THE YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9492, dated 24 July 2007, amended Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive Order (EO) No. 292, also known as the Administrative Code of 1987, by declaring certain days (specific or movable) as special or regular holidays;

WHEREAS, RA No. 9492 provides that holidays, except those which are religious in nature, are moved to the nearest Monday unless otherwise modified by law, order or proclamation;

WHEREAS, RA No. 9849 dated 11 December 2009, provides that the Eidul Adha shall be celebrated as a national holiday;

WHEREAS, on 28 January 2017, Chinese nationals all over the world will celebrate Spring Festival, popularly known as the Chinese New Year, which is one of the most revered and festive events celebrated not only in China but also in the Philippines, and such date may be declared as a special (non-working) day without detriment to public interest;

WHEREAS, on 25 February 2017, the country will commemorate the 31st Anniversary of the EDSA People Power Revolution, which restored and political, social and economic reforms in the country;

WHEREAS, Black Saturday, which falls on 15 April 2017, has been traditionally declared a special (non-working) day throughout the country, the observance of Holy Week being one of the most cherished traditions of our predominantly Catholic people;

WHEREAS, declaring 31 October 2017 (Tuesday), as an additional special (non-working) day throughout the country will strengthen family ties by providing more time for the traditional All Saints' Day commemorative activities; and will promote domestic tourism as well;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as President of the Philippines, do hereby declare:

THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

**SECTION 1.** The following regular holidays and special days for the year 2017 shall be observed in the country:

### A. Regular Holidays

New Year's Day	-	1	January (Sunday)
Araw ng Kagitingan	-	9	April (Sunday)
Maundy Thursday	-	13	April
Good Friday	-	14	April
Labor Day	-	1	May (Monday)
Independence Day	-	12	June (Monday)
National Heroes Day	-	28	August (Last Monday of August)
Bonifacio Day	-	30	November (Thursday)
Christmas Day	-	25	December (Monday)
Rizal Day	-	30	December (Saturday)

## B. Special (Non-Working) Days

-	28	January (Saturday)
-	25	February (Saturday)
-	15	April
-	21	August (Monday)
-	1	November (Wednesday)
-	31	December (Sunday)
-	31	October (Tuesday)
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**SECTION 2.** The proclamations declaring national holidays for the observance of Eidul Fitr and Eidul Adha shall hereafter be issued after the approximate dates of the Islamic holidays have been determined in accordance with the Islamic calendar (Hijra) or the lunar calendar, or upon Islamic astronomical calculations, whichever is possible or convenient. To this end, the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF) shall inform the Office of the President on the actual dates on which these holidays shall respectively fall.

**SECTION 3**. The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) shall promulgate the implementing guidelines for this Proclamation.

SECTION 4. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

**SECTION 5.** This Proclamation shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation.





IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 16th day of August in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

By the President:

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary

MARIANITO M. DIMAANDAL
DIRECTOR IV
MALACARANG RECORDS OFFICE