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Congress of the Philippines

Metro Manila

Nineteenth Congress

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

[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12224 ]

AN ACT DECLARING THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS ON HIJAB AND OTHER TRADITIONAL GARMENTS AND ATTIRE

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

SECTION 1. The first day of February of every year is hereby declared as the "National Day of Awareness on Hijab and Other Traditional Garments and Attire" to promote diversity, awareness, and tolerance of the various religious and cultural beliefs through the wearing of indigenous and traditional clothing, head garments and coverings.


SEC. 2. The Chairpersons of the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF), the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), and the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), in coordination with the local government units and other national government agencies, are

enjoined to conduct activities and programs such as exhibits and symposiums that promote the cultural values of wearing hijab and other traditional garments and attire.

SEC. 3. Nothing herein shall be construed as requiring the wearing or non-wearing of a particular attire, garment, or clothing.


SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.


Approved,

  
FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ  
Speaker of the House  
of Representatives

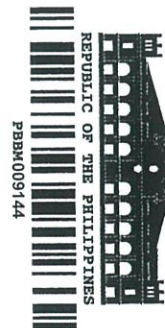
  
FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO  
President of the Senate

This Act, which is a consolidation of Senate Bill No. 1410 and House Bill No. 5693, was passed by the Senate of the Philippines and the House of Representatives on February 3, 2025 and February 5, 2025, respectively.

  
REGINALD S. VELASCO  
Secretary General  
House of Representatives

  
RENATO N. BANTUG JR.  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved: JUN 18 2025



  
FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR.  
President of the Philippines



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