

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10966, December 28, 2017]

**AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL
NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO
COMMEMORATE THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF MARY, THE PRINCIPAL PATRONESS OF THE PHILIPPINES**

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

SECTION 1. December 8 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the entire country to commemorate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, the Principal Patroness of the Philippines.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

(SGD.) **AQUILINO "KOKO"
PIMENTEL III**
President of the Senate

(SGD.) **PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ**
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on May 2, 2017 and December 11, 2017, respectively.

(SGD.) **LUTGARDO B. BARBO**
Secretary of the Senate

(SGD.) **CESAR STRAIT PAREJA**
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*

Approved: DEC 28 2017

(SGD.) **RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**
President of the Philippines
