

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645, June 12, 2009]

**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 Representative 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administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.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 an at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

(Sgd.) JUAN PONCE ENRILE

President of Senate

(Sgd.) 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 Senate on June 3, 2009.

(Sgd.) EMMA LIRIO-REYES

Secretary of Senate

(Sgd.) MARILYN B. BARUA-YAP

*Secretary General House of
Representatives*