ORDINANCE NO. 2020-053

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE FOURTH (4\textsuperscript{TH}) DAY OF FEBRUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS "ARA NG KALAYAAN NG MUNTINLUPA".

Sponsored by:
- Hon. Coun. Mark Lester M. Baes
- Hon. Coun. Alexson V. Diaz
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- Hon. Coun. Walter A. Arcilla

WHEREAS, Muntinlupa has a rich history that must be preserved, treasured, studied and taught so as to serve as a guide for a brighter future to all of its constituents, most especially the youth, by instilling virtues such as Perseverance, Courage, Patriotism and Self-Sacrifice;

WHEREAS, the City of Muntinlupa focuses on delivering meaningful programs and projects for its constituents in nine key development areas which include the Preservation and Promotion of Local History and Culture;

WHEREAS, Muntinlupa has been celebrating its "Araw ng Kalayaan" annually every February 4 to commemorate the liberation of Muntinlupa from occupying Japanese forces during World War II and to relish the memory of the heroism and sacrifices of Muntinlupa’s courageous and patriotic ancestors;

WHEREAS, Kapasiyahan Bilang 88-60 or "Kapasiyahan na Itinakda ang Ika-4 ng Buwan ng Pebrero ng Bawat Taon Bilang Araw ng Kalayaan ng Bayan ng Muntinlupa" was approved and signed by then Mayor Ignacio R. Bunye and the Sangguniang Bayan in 1988;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9378 or "An Act Declaring the Fourth (4\textsuperscript{TH}) Day of February of Every Year as a Special Working Holiday in the City of Muntinlupa to be known as Araw Ng Kalayaan Ng Muntinlupa" was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on June 6, 2005 and December 18, 2006 respectively and was approved by former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on March 7, 2007.
WHEREAS, it is only fitting that the entire city of Muntinlupa, all of its people both young and old, should join in the annual commemoration of its Liberation Day every February 4th of every year to give due respect and recognition to the men and women who sacrificed their own lives and risked everything they hold dear to win the freedom that all Muntinlupenos enjoy today;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AS IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED, by the 9th Sangguniang Panglungsod of Muntinlupa, Metro Manila, by virtue of the powers vested in it by law, in Session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. The City Government of Muntinlupa hereby declares the fourth (4th) day of February of every year as “ARAW NG KALAYAAN NG MUNTINLUPA”.

SECTION 2. All public and private schools, all local and national government employees and all Barangays within the jurisdiction of Muntinlupa are hereby mandated to join in the celebration of ARAW NG KALAYAAN NG MUNTINLUPA through the conduct of meaningful commemorative activities such as, but not limited to, special flag ceremonies, parades, rallies, motorcades, re-enactments/plays, essay-writing and art contests and special school lessons on local history.

SECTION 3. Liwasan ng mga Bayani – the existing Liwasan ng mga Bayani located at Barangay Alabang, shall be preserved and maintained to Honor our local heroes.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause - All ordinances, orders, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this ordinances are hereby amended or repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED by the “9th Sangguniang Panlungsod of Muntinlupa” this 3rd day of February, 2020, on its 30th Regular Session.
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I HEREBY CERTIFY, as to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance.

CECILIA C. LAZARTE
Secretary to the Sangguniang

ATTESTED:

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APPROVED:

ATTY. JAIME R. FRESNEDI
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