

Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MINISTER

Bangsamoro Government Center, Governor Gutierrez Avenue, Rosary Heights VII, Cotabato City 9600

PROCLAMATION NO. 0 0 5 6 6 Series of 2024

DECLARING THE REGULAR HOLIDAYS AND SPECIAL (WORKING/NON-WORKING) DAYS IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM) FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9492, dated 24 July 2007, or "An Act Rationalizing the Celebration of National Holidays Amending for the Purpose Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive Order No. 292, as amended, Otherwise Known as the Administrative Code of 1987," declared certain days (specific or movable) as special or regular holidays;

WHEREAS, RA No. 9177, dated 13 November 2002, "An Act Declaring the First Day of Shawwal, the Tenth Month of the Islamic calendar, a National Holiday for the Observance of Eidul Fitr, and the Tenth Day of Zhul Hijja, the Twelfth Month of the Islamic calendar, a Regional Holiday in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) for the Observance of Eidul Adha, Amending for the purpose Section 26, Chapter 7 of Executive Order No. 292, Otherwise Known as the Administrative Code of 1987, and for Other Purposes," declared the first day of Shawwal, the tenth month of the Islamic calendar, as a regular holiday for the observance of Eidul Fitr:

WHEREAS, RA No. 9849, dated 11 December 2009, or "An Act Declaring the Tenth Day of Zhul Hijja, the Twelfth Month of the Islamic Calendar, a National Holiday for the Observance of Eidul Adha, Further Amending for the Purpose Section 26, Chapter 7, Book I of Executive Order No. 292, Otherwise Known as the Administrative Code of 1987, As Amended," provides that the tenth day of Zhul Hijja, the twelfth month of the Islamic calendar be declared a national holiday in observance of Eidul Adha;

WHEREAS, Book I, Chapter 2, Section 10 of the Bangsamoro Autonomy Act (BAA) No. 13, or "An Act Providing for the Bangsamoro Administrative Code and for Other Related Purposes," proclaims January 21 as the Bangsamoro Foundation Day;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 39, "An Act Governing the Observance of Regular and Special Holidays in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), Repealing for the Purpose Muslim Mindanao Autonomy Act No. 17, Otherwise Known as An Act Recognizing Muslim Historical and Religious Events and All Existing Muslim Holidays in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) and for Other Purposes," it is the policy of the Bangsamoro Government to recognize the observance of regional and local public holidays that preserve and promote the rich history, tradition, and cultural heritage of the Bangsamoro;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of BAA 39, it is expressly mandated that the Chief Minister shall declare, through an official proclamation issued on or before December 31 of each calendar year, the regular and special holidays to be observed within BARMM in the succeeding year;"

WHEREAS, Art. VII, Sec. 32 of Republic Act No. 11054 grants the Chief Minister power to "issue executive orders and other policies of the Bangsamoro Government" and to "exercise such other powers and functions inherent to the office;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, AHOD B. EBRAHIM, Chief Minister of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare:

SECTION 1. The following regular holidays and special (working/non-working) days for the year 2025 shall be observed in the BARMM:

A. REGULAR NON-WORKING HOLIDAYS:

- 1. Bangsamoro Foundation Day January 21 (Tuesday)
- 2. Eid'l Fit'r Shawwal 1
- 3. Eid'l Adha Dhul Hijja 10
- 4. Day of Shuhada March 18 (Tuesday)

B. SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAYS:

- 1. Day of Arafah Dhul Hijja 9
- 2. 1st Day of Tashriq Dhul Hijja 11

C. SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAYS:

- 1. Holidays identified in Presidential Decree No. 1083 other than those determined in BAA 39
- 2. Bangsamoro Day of Solidarity February 1 (Saturday)
- 3. Battle of Bud Daho Day March 6 (Thursday)
- 4. Commemoration of the Signing of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro March 27 (Thursday)
- 5. Battle of Bayang Day May 2 (Friday)
- 6. Sheik Karimul Makhdum Day November 7 (Friday)
- 7. Shariff Kabunsuan Day December 19 (Friday)
- 8. Commemoration of the Signing of the Moro National Liberation Front-Organization of Islamic Conference-Government of the Republic of the Philippines (MNL-OIC-GRP) 1996 Final Peace Agreement and 1976 Tripoli Agreement September 2 (Tuesday)
- 9. Bangsamoro Indigenous Peoples' Thanksgiving Day To be determined based on the enactment of the IP Code

SECTION 2. The proclamations declaring the dates for the observance of *Eid'l Fit'r* and *Eid'l Adha*, and special holidays for the observance of the Day of *Arafah* and 1st Day of *Tashriq*, shall hereafter be issued after the approximate date of these Islamic holidays have been determined in accordance with the Islamic calendar (Hijri) or the lunar calendar, or upon Islamic astronomical calculations, whichever is possible or convenient. To this end, the Grand *Mufti* of the Bangsamoro *Darul Ifta'* shall recommend to the Chief Minister the actual dates on which these holidays shall respectively fall.

SECTION 3. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 4. This Proclamation shall be published in the Bangsamoro gazette or at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation in the BARMM.

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

 ${\bf DONE}$ in the City of Cotabato, this $17^{\rm th}$ day of December Two Thousand and Twenty Four.

AHOD B. EBRAHIM
Chief Minister



