

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2299, June 19, 1959]

**AN ACT GRANTING VICTORINO E. DAY A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE RADIO BROADCASTING
STATIONS IN THE CITY OF ZAMBOANGA FOR EDUCATIONAL,
CULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.**

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

SECTION 1. Subject to the provisions of the Constitution as well as of Act Numbered Three thousand eight hundred forty-six, entitled "An Act providing for the regulation of radio stations and radio communications in the Philippine Islands, and for other purposes;" Act Numbered Three thousand nine hundred ninety-seven, known as the Radio Broadcasting Law; Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred forty-six, known as the Public Service Act, and their amendments, and other applicable laws, not inconsistent with this Act, Victorino E. Day is hereby granted a franchise to construct, maintain and operate for educational, cultural and commercial purposes and in the public interest, radio broadcasting stations in the City of Zamboanga.

SEC. 2. This franchise shall continue for a period of twenty-five years from the date the said stations shall be put in operation and is granted upon the express condition that the same shall be void unless the construction of at least one station be begun within one year from the date of approval of this Act and be completed within two years from said date.

SEC. 3. This franchise is likewise made upon the express condition that the grantee shall provide adequate public service time to enable the Government, through his stations, to reach the population on important issues, shall assist in the function of public information and education shall conform to the ethics of honest enterprise, and shall not use his stations for the dissemination of deliberately false information or wilful misrepresentation, or to the detriment of the public health, or to incite, encourage or assist in subversive or treasonable acts.

SEC. 4. In the event of any competing individual, partnership or corporation receiving from the Congress of the Philippines a similar franchise in which there shall be any term or terms more favorable than those herein granted or tending' to place the herein grantee at any disadvantage, then such term or terms shall ipso facto become a part of the terms hereof and shall operate equally in favor of the grantee as in the case of said competing individual, partnership or corporation.

SEC. 5. The grantee's radio broadcasting stations shall not be put in actual operation until the Secretary of Public Works and Communications shall have allotted to the grantee the frequency and wave lengths to be used under this franchise and issued to the grantee license for such use.