

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

Thirteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 185

INTRODUCED BY HONORABLE JOSE G. SOLIS

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the provincial road from the Municipality of Sta. Magdalena to Pawa Road in the Municipality of Matnog in the Province of Sorsogon into a national road to be known as the Governor Juan G. Frivaldo Highway.

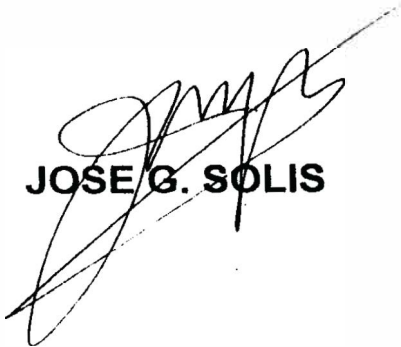
Sta. Magdalena is considered the farthest, smallest and poorest among the municipalities of the Province of Sorsogon. Because of this situation, the officials of said municipality has been deprived of the opportunity to uplift the living conditions of the inhabitants, particularly the business sector. The poor quality of the road is one factor that cautioned local traders, tourists and even investors in putting up their business therein.

Roads are beneficial to the livelihood of the people in the rural areas because they help transport farm produce to the markets and town centers. They are convenient links between the barangays and the poblacion and provide accessibility to the town proper where hospitals, law enforcement, and government agencies are located. Roads likewise give the people the opportunity to travel conveniently to their respective places of destination.

The proposed national road is more or less 14 to 15 kilometers in length. If fully developed, it will usher the promotion of Sta. Magdalena in the Province of Sorsogon as the home of coastal tourism in the southern tip of Bicolandia. Incidentally, this municipality is the birthplace of the eight term Governor Juan G. Frivaldo, the longest term governor in the history of Bicol politics, if not the Philippines as well.

To name the highway into the Governor Juan G. Frivaldo Highway is to honor the man who, with his heroic deeds and noble acts, has carved for himself a permanent niche in the history of Sorsogon. His colossal love for the common man and his burning desire to improve their lives, spurred him to greater efforts.

during his incumbency as Governor since 1955. If only to honor the man who is a hero to the people of Bicolandia for whom he selflessly served, approval of this bill is highly recommended.



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HOUSE BILL NO. 485

INTRODUCED BY HONORABLE JOSE G. SOLIS

AN ACT

CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MAGDALENA TO PAWA ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MATNOG, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD TO BE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNOR JUAN G. FRIVALDO HIGHWAY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. The provincial road from the Municipality of Sta. Magdalena to Pawa Road in the Municipality of Matnog, Province of Sorsogon is hereby converted into a national road to be known as the Governor Juan G. Frivaldo Highway under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the implementation of this act shall be charged to the appropriations for the Department of Public Works and Highways under the current General Appropriation Act. Thereafter, such sum as maybe necessary for the maintenance of the highway shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,