

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. 938

Introduced by REP. JUDY J. SYJUCO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Last October 29, 2003, a distinguished member of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and a truly principled and pro-people man, the Honorable Rodolfo T. Ganzon, left this mortal world and join his Creator.

The late Honorable Rodolfo T. Ganzon is an illustrious son of Iloilo City who rose from an ordinary jeepney driver to a councilor, mayor, congressman and senator of our country. As a legislator, he authored and sponsored at least 65 significant bills that eventually became laws on a national application.

To quote the Graphic Magazine in its July 9, 1969 featured article--- "Among the present crop of legislators, Rodolfo Ganzon can stand his own ground. He has been consistently cited as outstanding congressman and outstanding senator by various press and civic groups. In fairness, he has been a very prolific and efficient lawmaker."

Senator Roding Ganzon was one of the two national opposition leaders whom the Marcos regime had convicted thru the military tribunal and was sentenced to a double life imprisonment. He was regarded as the longest political detainee under the Marcos regime, from 1972 up to 1986, six years in the stockade and eight years under house arrest.

This bill seeks to record in the annals of our nation's history the memory of a gallant Filipino who unselfishly served the interest of the Filipino people by renaming General Luna Street to **Senator Rodolfo T. Ganzon Avenue**.

In view of the foregoing, immediate consideration and approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
RENAMING GENERAL LUNA STREET IN ILOILO CITY TO SENATOR RODOLFO T. GANZON AVENUE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. The road within the territorial jurisdiction of Iloilo City from kilometer zero, popularly known as Arroyo Fountain fronting the Iloilo Provincial Capitol building towards West Avenue, Infante Street, Molo, Iloilo City presently known as General Luna Street is hereby renamed to Senator Rodolfo T. Ganzon Avenue.

SECTION 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways and the Department of Transportation and Communication, together with the National Historical Institute, shall jointly issue the implementing rules and regulations to effectively carry out the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary to effectively carry out the purposes of this Act is hereby appropriated.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation. The publication shall not be later than seven (7) days after approval hereof.

Approved,