

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

First Regular Session

House Bill No. 1108

Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE EDGAR T. ESPINOSA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the "Don Fernando Lopez Avenue" Concordia-San Antonio Provincial Road, Province of Guimaras, into a National Road.

While the Provincial Government of Guimaras recognizes the important role of roads facilitating economic and other productive endeavors, it does not have the financial capability to undertake the function of its proper maintenance and/or continuous improvement as it is dependent on locally generated funds.

A predominantly agricultural province, Guimaras lacks the basic infrastructure facilities to support economic growth and sustainable development. The lack or total absence of these facilities is the principal reason why the island-province is still enduring poverty. Since roads are vital arteries of commerce and trade, linking productive areas to market centers, it is thus imperative that these roads be improved and properly maintained.

In view of the foregoing, approval is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE "DON FERNANDO LOPEZ AVENUE"
CONCORDIA-SAN ANTONIO PROVINCIAL ROAD,
PROVINCE OF GUIMARAS INTO A NATIONAL ROAD

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

Section 1. The "Don Fernando Lopez Avenue" Concordia-San Antonio Provincial Road, Province of Guimaras, is hereby converted into a national road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

Section 2. The amount necessary for the improvement of said road shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways and as may be necessary for its repair and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved.