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Quezon City, Philippines

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House Bill No. **1699**



Introduced by: **HONORABLE CLAUDE P. BAUTISTA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks the conversion of the Demoloc - Little Baguio - Alabel roads into national road. The Municipality of Malita where these barangay roads are located is considered as an emerging Growth Center evolving from an agricultural production area into an agro-processing and industrial municipality.

As of this writing an unprecedented growth in the agriculture sector is expected in the next three to five years. There has been a move by the local corporate giant to buy huge volume metric tons of whatsoever corn and cassava will be produce the municipality can garner from the consolidated farms in Malita. Corn and cassava will be processed as feeds while cassava will be used as a necessary ingredient for the production of alcohol. With this development in the offing, well-maintained roads are prerequisites for the success of the project.

Buying stations, post harvest facilities, storage plants and warehouses will dot the municipality's landscape. Production and marketing of farm produce will spur vigorous economic activity that will make Malita the hub of commercial in the district. To date, signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Local Government Unit and the concerned agencies are underway.

Because of this expected development that will definitely bolster the local economy, creation, improvement and conversion of barangay roads into national roads has to be implemented.

Due to the aforementioned reasons, immediate approval of this Bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT CONVERTING THE DEMOLOC – LITTLE BAGUIO – ALABEL ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MALITA AND ALABEL, PROVINCES OF DAVAO DEL SUR AND SARANGANI INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,

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

SECTION 1. This Bill seeks to convert the Demoloc – Little Baguio – Alabel Road in the Municipalities of Malita and Alabel, Provinces of Davao del Sur and Sarangani is hereby created into a National Road.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary to cover for the opening, improvement, construction, cementing and maintenance of said national road shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

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

Approved.