

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1892



INTRODUCED BY HON. GLENDA B. ECLEO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a nodal concrete road pavement connecting the seven municipalities of Dinagat Island in the province of Surigao del Norte.

Dinagat Island, which is some 45 nautical miles from Surigao City of mainland Mindanao and composed of seven (7) progressive municipalities, is one of the three (3) islands across the pacific comprising the First Legislative District of the Province.

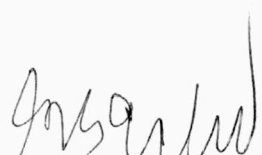
But unlike its counter part islands of Siargao and Bucas Grande, Dinagat Island has no nodal concrete road pavement of its own until date that could connect together its seven (7) municipalities by land transportation and within which to inter-connect the same with farm-to-market roads, thereby rendering the marketable products of its vast agricultural farmland and fishponds beyond the reach of commerce, especially across the mainland.

Left by its own with a nodal concrete road pavement, Dinagat Island can be capable not only of sustaining its own development but also of contributing to the economic upliftment of the region and country.

Dinagat Island is among the few places in the Philippines to be recorded in the Encyclopedia Americana (Vol. 6, p. 22) as a limitless source of natural bounties, such as iron, chromite, nickel, gold, manganese, coal, timber, abaca, copra and others. It is also known not only for its abundant natural resources but also of its magnificent and prestine beauty which could well be a fertile source of attraction not only of tourists but businessmen as well.

Topping the island's resources and thereby contributing to the country's economy renders the establishment of a nodal concrete road pavement an urgent necessity.

Early approval of this bill therefore is most earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NODAL CONCRETE ROAD
PAVEMENT CONNECTING THE SEVEN (7) MUNICIPALITIES OF DINAGAT
ISLAND, IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated the sum of Fifty Million Pesos (P50,000,000.00) out of the funds of the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the establishment of a nodal concrete road pavement connecting the seven (7) municipalities of Dinagat Island, in the province of Surigao del Norte, which shall be carried out under the administration of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,