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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Bill No. 5602



Introduced by HON. FRANCIS 'BLUEBOY' L. NEPOMUCENO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Angeles-Magalang Provincial Road in the City of Angeles, Pampanga into a national road to be known as Gov. Francisco Nepomuceno Highway.

Roads augment economic activities as they provide mobility and accessibility of people, thus opening a horizon of economic prospects, employment and commercial generation. It is essential therefore that such roads should be maintained, improved and repaired when necessary to assure that the purposes are fully served.

The Angeles-Magalang provincial road is a vital link to transport farm produce of the city such as rice, corn, vegetables, meat, and fish to the center and nearby towns. It is a major arterial road towards the North Luzon Expressway and to other provinces such Nueva Ecija and Tarlac. The national government has invested P80 million for the construction of the Pandan-Pulung Maragul Bridge which stands along the said road.. Its present condition urgently needs repair because of damages sustained from floods and ordinary wear and tear. Unfortunately the road cannot be effectively maintained due to insufficient funds for the purpose from the local government. The provincial government is not expected to utilize its funds because a highly urbanized city like the City of Angeles is already a chartered city that is no longer a jurisdiction of the provincial government.

By converting it into a national road, it would transfer the responsibility of maintenance to the national government through the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), thus channeling the resources earmarked for the maintenance of the said road to more important projects and programs of the local government and this representation.

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

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CITY OF ANGELES, PAMPANGA INTO A NATIONAL ROAD TO BE KNOWN AS
GOV. FRANCISCO NEPOMUCENO HIGHWAY**

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

SECTION 1. The Angeles-Magalang Provincial Road in the City of Angeles, Pampanga is hereby converted into a national road to be known as Gov. Francisco Nepomuceno Highway.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provision of this Act.

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

Approved,