

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

SIXTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

House Bill No. 1552



Introduced by Representative RODRIGO A. ABELLANOSA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Queen City of the South is an apt name for Cebu City. When many thought that the South Road Properties (SRP) was just another pipe dream that could never be realized in Cebu City, its leaders believed otherwise resulting in the addition of another jewel to the Queen City's crown of achievements. Over a few years, a vista never before beheld in the Philippines took shape and skyrocketed Cebu to become at par with Singapore, Hong Kong, Macau, and Kuala Lumpur.

To complete the crown, it would only be fitting that the main avenue of this scenic coastal route be named after a great man whose decades of public service echo the credo of a true public servant. This main avenue connects to the existing Serging Osmeña Boulevard at the newly completed tunnel and viaduct section up to the southern boundary of Cebu City at Inayawan Bridge, and extends all the way to its intersection with N. Bacalso Ave. in Talisay City.

This bill seeks to name SRP's main avenue, presently known as SRP Road, in Cebu City after a Filipino, who dedicated most of his life in service to the Filipino people – Sergio Osmeña Jr., fondly called Serging Osmeña.

As son of a former president, Serging Osmeña knew that he had a tough act to follow. But he chose to be his own man, later making a name for himself. He graduated cum laude at Ateneo de Manila (Associate of Arts) and summa cum laude at New York University (Bachelor of Science in Commerce). He served the public in different capacities – as Governor of Cebu (1951), as three-term Mayor of Cebu City (1955, 1959 and 1963), as Congressman for the second district of Cebu (1958), and as Senator (1965).

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AN ACT
NAMING THE STRETCH POPULARLY KNOWN AS SRP ROAD
IN CEBU CITY TO SERGING OSMEÑA BOULEVARD

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

Section 1. The stretch popularly known as "SRP Road", from the tunnel and viaduct leading to the South Road Properties in Cebu City all the way to the road's intersection with N. Bacalso Ave. in Talisay City, is hereby named Serging Osmeña Boulevard.

Section 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is hereby directed to implement the provisions of this Act and issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars.

Section 3. All laws, decrees, orders, proclamations, rules and regulations, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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