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House Bill No. 5382



Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE ARTHUR C. YAP

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This proposed measure, in a very modest manner, seeks to honor the memory of the fallen heroes of the January 25, 2015 Mamasapano Massacre, the forty-four (44) members of the Philippine National Police – Special Action Forces (PNP-SAF).

On that very unfortunate day, the members of the 55th Special Action Company of PNP SAF was on a mission dubbed as Oplan Exodus. They were to serve a warrant of arrest against Zulkifli bin Hir, locally known as Marwan, a notorious Jemaah Islamiyah international terrorist and bomb expert, in the Municipality of Mamasapano, Province of Maguindanao.

The mission was accomplished early on. This was relayed through radio to their tactical command post.

However, destiny was too unkind. Enemies of still to be determined origin, probably the same group that has granted custody and protection to Marwan, suddenly gathered and attacked the group. Fighting from a position of weakness, the group was massacred. There was only a lone survivor, PO2 Christopher Lalan.

The fate of the Fallen 44 and the Mamasapano Massacre is a painful reminder of our fractured populace and its fragile peace. If news reports are accurate, a group of the Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters, a supposed splinter of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, with which the national government is on the verge of concluding a peace accord that is supposed to decades of violent separatism, was responsible for the massacre. It has led to calls for halt in the peace process and the passage of the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law.

Whatever the outcome of the investigation into the Mamasapano Massacre, one thing cannot be denied. The Fallen 44 are our heroes.

In serving the warrant, and may be killing, an infamous terrorist, the culprit behind the deadly 2002 Bali, Indonesia bombing, and a host of other senseless attacks in the country and the rest of South East Asia, these members of the PNP-SAF, lived, and died by their motto, which is being our savior. *"Tagaligtas"*

It is proposed that the roads along the progressive and word renowned Bonifacio Global City (BGC) in Taguig City, Metro Manila be re-named after them.

Fort Bonifacio, named after the founder of the Katipunan, was once the national headquarters of the Philippine Army, the Southern Police District and the local marine base of Philippine Navy and Philippine Marine Corps. In 1995, the military camp was privatized and it has since experienced very rapid growth and development. The well-planned area hosts commercial buildings, residential skyscrapers, high end malls, restaurants, bars, hospital, educational institutions, as well as lush parks and museums.

As it is a new development area, most of the roads are merely identified by numbers or letters, or by their old names, when the place was still a military camp.

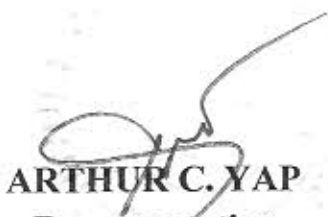
It may be fitting to name the roads along the BGC, a place named after the hero of the masses - Andres Bonifacio, a stone's throw from where Filipino heroes are buried, and most especially a robust growth area, after the Fallen 44 to grant them an honor of relative permanency. Taguig is also the city where the PNP SAF Headquarters is situated.

In the eulogy of PNP-SAF Officer-in-Charge Chief Supt. Noli Taliño:

"While you enjoy the laughter of family and friends, and the safety and comfort of your homes, there are men and women who sacrifice time, effort, and their very lives in the fulfillment of their jobs and duties to give you normalcy. These are the men and women in the Special Action Force, dedicated officers, dedicated troopers who know how to die."

Again, the sacrifice of the Fallen 44 is immeasurable. Their loss cannot be replaced. The grief that their families, friends and comrades suffered due to their tragic deaths may not be soothed even by time. It is this reason that this bill is being proposed, so that their memories may not fade, and their sacrifice be not laid to waste.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate consideration and approval of the bill is earnestly urged.



ARTHUR C. YAP
Representative

8	Present Name:	- New Name:
9	1 st Avenue	- Sr. Insp. Ryan Ballesteros Pabalinas
10	2 nd Avenue	- Sr. Insp. John Garry Alcantara Erana

1	3 rd Avenue	- Sr. Insp. Max Jim Ramirez Tria
2	4 th Avenue	- Sr. Insp. Cyrus Paleyan Anniban
3	5 th Avenue	- Sr. Insp. Gednat G. Tabdi
4	6 th Avenue	- Insp. Joey Sacristan Gamutan
5	7 th Avenue	- Insp. Rennie Tayrus
6	8 th Avenue	- SPO1 Lover L. Inocencio
7	9 th Avenue	- PO3 Rodrigo F. Acob Jr.
8	10 th Avenue	- PO3 Virgel S. Villanueva
9	11 th Avenue	- PO3 Andres Viernes Duque Jr.
10	Lane A	- PO3 Vitoriano Nacion Acain
11	Lane B	- PO3 Noel Onangey Golocan
12	Lane C	- PO3 Junrel Narvas Kibete
13	Lane D	- PO3 Jed-In Abubakar Asjali
14	Lane O	- PO3 Robert Dommolog Aliaga
15	Lane P	- PO3 John Lloyd Rebammonte Sumbilla
16	Lane Q	- PO2 Amman Misuari Esmulla
17	Lane R	- PO2 Peterson I. Carap
18	20 th Drive	- PO2 Roger C. Cordero
19	21 st Drive	- PO2 Nicky DC Nacino Jr.
20	Lane S	- PO2 Glenn Berecio Badua
21	23 rd Street	- PO2 Chum Goc-Ong Agabon
22	24 th Street	- PO2 Richelle Salangan Baluga
23	25 th Street	- PO2 Noel Nebrida Balaca
24	26 th Street	- PO2 Joel Bimidang Dulnuan
25	27 th Street	- PO2 Godofredo Basak Cabanlet

1	28 th Street	- PO2 Franklin Cadap Danao
2	29 th Street	- PO2 Walner Faustino Danao
3	30 th Street	- PO2 Jerry Dailay Kayob
4	31 st Street	- PO2 Noble Sungay Kiangnan
5	32 nd Street	- PO2 Ephraim G. Mejia
6	33 rd Street	- PO2 Omar Agacer Nacionales
7	34 th Street	- PO2 Rodel Eva Ramacula
8	35 th Street	- PO2 Romeo Valles Senin II
9	36 th Street	- PO1 Russel Bawaan Bilog
10	37 th Street	- PO1 Angel C. Kodiamat
11	38 th Street	- PO1 Windell Llano Candano
12	39 th Street	- PO1 Loreto Guyab Capinding
13	40 th Street	- PO1 Gringo Charag Cayang-o
14	Forbestown Road	- PO1 Romeo Cumanoy Cempron
15	Federacion Drive	- PO1 Mark Lory Orloque Clemencio
16	McKinley Parkway	- PO1 Joseph Gumatay Sagonoy
17	Meritt Road	- PO1 Oliebeth Ligutan Viernes

18 **SECTION 2. *Change of Street Signs.*** - The City Engineer's Office
19 under the Local Government of Taguig, is hereby directed to place or cause
20 the replacement of present road signs.

21 **SECTION 3. *Land Development Modification.*** - If the any of
22 abovementioned road is permanently closed, due to modification in the land
23 development, the private land developer, in coordination with the Local

Government of Taguig, shall assign another road to be named or re-named after the person after whom the closed road was named.

SECTION 4. *Separability Clause.* - If for any reason, any section or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, no other section, provisions or part thereof shall be affected and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. *Effectivity Clause.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.