



Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila



Sixteen Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 5550

Introduced by Honorable Luis A. Ferrer IV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The bill seeks to rename Governor's Drive in Cavite to Governor Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. Drive.

Governor's Drive is a national road stretching 58.3 kms. from Soro-soro Bridge in Biñan, Laguna traversing Carmona, General Mariano Alvarez, Dasmarinas, General Trias, Trece Martires, Tanza, Naic, through Ternate, Cavite.

This bill seeks to honor the late Juanito R. Remulla, Sr., a prominent son of Cavite and a politician who left an indelible mark in the historical scenario of Cavite as the longest sitting governor from 1979 to 1986 and 1988 to 1995.

Born on April 14, 1933 in Toclong, Imus, Cavite to farmer-parents Crispin and Teofista (*nee Reyes*) Remulla. Governor Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. was a valedictorian in the Medicion Elementary school in Imus and graduated as First Honorable mention in the Francisco Law College High School Department. He then took up law studies in the University of the Philippines College of Law and garnered fourth place in the 1956 bar examinations. He was also an awardee of the Colombo Plan Scholarship, Institute of Local Government in Birmingham, England from 1966 to 1967.

Governor Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. started his political career as an appointed acting governor in 1964 and 1965. His distinguished performance in office earned him a spot in the election of delegates to the 1971 Constitutional Convention albeit he was the youngest candidate who eventually chaired the Committee on Local Government. He was then elected to the provincial board in 1972 and thereafter became governor of the same year.

During his stint as public servant, Juanito Remulla remarkably provided significant contributions to the socio-economic, agro-industrial and infrastructure development of Cavite since he first assumed governorship wayback in 1979. Much of the progress of Cavite and its current reputation as one of the country's emerging economic hubs and its developmental changes, especially the spurt of manufacturing firms within the vicinity of the export processing and economic zones are attributable to the service of Governor Remulla then at the helm of the governance of the province of Cavite.

The current laudable status earned by Cavite as one of the powerhouse provinces exhibiting impressive economic growth owes its early beginnings to the dynamic and productive collaboration of the local government unit and the business sector. The open investment policy espoused by then Governor Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. paved the way for more investments pouring into Cavite where formerly huge tracts of idle land were converted into manufacturing, export processing and highly industrialized economic zones. As more investments poured in, it created jobs and boosted financial revenues for the province.

The legacy of Governor Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. continues as the province of Cavite surges onward for greater economic progress and growth.

Thus, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT RENAMING GOVERNOR'S DRIVE IN THE PROVINCE OF
CAVITE AS JUANITO R. REMULLA, SR. ROAD**

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

SECTION 1. The Governor's Drive stretching from Soro-soro Bridge in Binan, Laguna travelling along Carmona, General Mariano Alvarez, Dasmarinas, General Trias, Trece Martires, Tanza, Naic through Ternate, Cavite, is hereby renamed Juanito R. Remulla, Sr. Road.

SEC. 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provision of this Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,