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House Bill No. **5999**

Introduced by: Representative Jose L. Atienza, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is a perceived practice that members of the House of Representative's rename roads to thank benefactors and recognize family members.

There have been roads named after Filipinos who have contributed much to Philippine history and culture, that have been changed without a second thought.

This Act aims to protect the importance of history and the impact of Filipinos on our society, and to keep them remembered for future generations.

We aim for its approval.


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AN ACT
PROHIBITING THE RENAMING OF ROADS ALREADY NAMED AFTER
HISTORICAL FILIPINOS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION ONE. *Declaration of Principles.* – It is hereby declared a policy of the State to recognize Filipinos who have contributed much to our country's culture and development, and to keep their memory enshrined for future generations.

SEC 2. *Prohibition of Renaming Roads.* – No road already named after a Filipino who has contributed to Philippine culture and history can be renamed.

SEC 3. *Liability and Accountability.* – The following persons are liable under this Act: Any person, whether natural or juridical, who initiates, causes or approves the renaming of a road;

SEC 4. *Separability Clause* – If any provisions of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC 5. *Repealing Clause* – All provisions of laws, orders, decrees, including rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC 6. *Effectivity Clause* – This Act shall take effect (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or at least two (2) national newspaper of national circulation.

Approved,