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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

One of the underlying purposes for decentralization is to have the national government ensure that there is consistent improvement in the performance of local government units and the quality of community life.

The reasonable sharing of public burden especially with regard to mutual cooperation in the conservative use of public funds, with the assistance by the National Government (NG) and the budget of the local government unit (LGU) in terms of the latter's savings in infrastructure expenditures, may be attained when the complete stretch of major road arteries which are partly or commonly under the domain of both the LGU and NG shall all be integrally and wholly be under a system that shall harmonize both their developmental impacts.

Furthermore, the entirety of the major road arteries which are connected to the already existing, or leading towards, the national roads will eventually result in the network of national roads that may entail further infrastructure improvement falling under the capacity of the NG such as the building of flyovers and the like, thus, certainly providing avenues for proactive measures for the efficient and orderly flow of traffic that can boost and augment community interaction resulting in economic development and upliftment in living conditions benefiting the LGUs in particular and the country in general. As one of the major access roads to the Bacolod Circumferential Road and Airport Road, the Sofia Gonzaga Road could greatly assist in infrastructure development if converted into a national road.

As such, passage of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT  
CONVERTING SOFIA GONZAGA ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR

**SECTION 1. SOFIA GONZAGA ROAD** in the City of Bacolod is hereby converted into a national road under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's Program the improvement, repair, and maintenance of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

APPROVED,

  
**REP. GREG G. GASATAYA**  
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