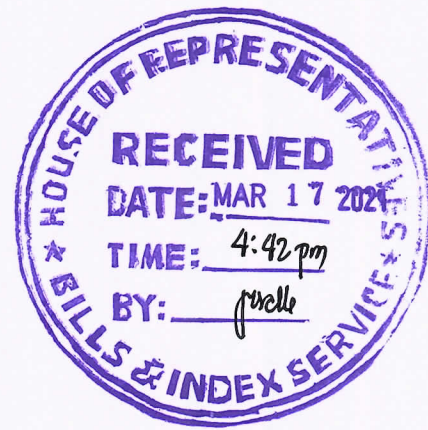


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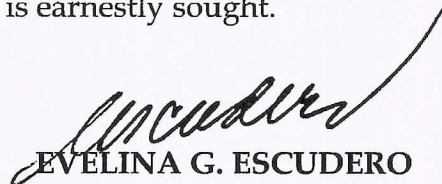
The Barangay San Ramon, Bulan- Barangay Gadgaron, Matnog, Provincial Road is a 43-kilometer road network that connects the Municipality of Bulan to the Municipality of Matnog, Sorsogon. This road network is of vital importance as this is the only road that leads all types of land vehicles to Matnog, Sorsogon, the gateway to the Visayas islands. It is a significant facilitator of economic activities of the National Capital Region and the Visayas, as goods to-and-fro, these regions are transported through this road network.

It has been long recognized that the economic development of a region is greatly facilitated by its road network. The quality of roads influences regional productivity through the facilitation of efficient movement of goods and labor. Not only does this facilitate economic development, but also people's access to social, health, and education services of the government. Thus, a well-kept road network is crucial in improving the lives of the constituents of the province.

As the 43-kilometer road network is categorized as a Provincial Road, it is maintained and rehabilitated by the Province of Sorsogon. The limited resources of the provincial government hinder it from sufficiently allocating annually what this vital road network actually needs for its upkeep.

Therefore, this bill seeks to convert the 22.5-kilometer Barangay San Ramon, Bulan- Barangay Gadgaron, Matnog, Provincial Road into a National Road to ensure that it will be efficiently maintained by the Department of Public Works and Highways with adequate funding from the national government.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE ROAD STRETCHING FROM BARANGAY SAN RAMON, MUNICIPALITY OF BULAN, TO BARANGAY GADGARON, MUNICIPALITY OF MATNOG, ALL OF THE PROVINCE OF SORSOGON INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. The road stretching from Brgy. San Ramon, Municipality of Bulan to Barangay Gadgaron, Municipality of Matnog, all of the Province of Sorsogon is hereby converted into a national road.

Sec. 2. The Secretary 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.

Sec. 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,