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House of Representatives  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

NINETEENTH CONGRESS  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 1688



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Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE AURELIO "DONG" D. GONZALES, JR.

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**AN ACT  
CONVERTING THE MEXICO – MAGALANG PROVINCIAL ROAD CONNECTING THE  
MUNICIPALITIES OF MEXICO AND MAGALANG IN THE PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA INTO  
A NATIONAL ROAD, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to convert the Mexico – Magalang Provincial Road, which connects the municipalities of Mexico and Magalang in the Province of Pampanga into a national road which shall be under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways. This road is a vital artery that connects the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Districts of the province and helps promote peace and order as well as economic growth in the locality and surrounding areas.

The scarcity of funds in the provincial government has made it difficult to adequately maintain this provincial road. Converting it into a national road will then allow the National Government to undertake the much needed repair, rehabilitation and upgrading of this vital infrastructure.

Considering the important role that roads play in development and progress, the speedy passage of this measure is earnestly requested.

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

**SECTION 1.** The Mexico – Magalang Provincial Road which connects the municipalities of Mexico and Magalang in the Province of Pampanga is hereby converted into a National Road under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

**SECTION 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.

**SECTION 3.** The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary orders, rules, and circulars to implement this Act.

**SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette and in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,