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House Bill No. 1897

Introduced by **Representative SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was originally filed as House Bill No. 4798 in the 18th Congress on September 24, 2019.

This house measure seeks to convert the provincial road that stretches from Barangay Amganad in the Municipality of Banaue, to Barangays Northern Cababuyan, Cababuyan, Poblacion and Piwong in the Municipality of Hingyon, all in the Province of Ifugao.

The Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao-Mt. Province national highway is the only primary national highway that passes through the province of Ifugao. In the Ifugao section, the road passes through the Municipalities of Lamut, Lagawe, Hingyon, and Banaue. On that length, the Hingyon-Banaue portion is very much prone to landslides whole year round. Every time that there is heavy downpour of rain, the possibility of landslide is extremely high. Landslides frequently occur just few hours after heavy rains affect the area. Whenever there are slides, roads are closed to traffic isolating the northern part of Ifugao and central Mt. Province resulting to paralyzed business, tourism and the local economies of both provinces.

The urgent need for reclassification of the road stretch's category is merited by the need of an alternate route of the Hingyon-Banaue section of the existing

national highway in times of total closure from torrent rain-caused landslides to avoid total isolation of the abovementioned portions of Ifugao and Mt. Province.

The proposed conversion arises out of extreme necessity and urgency.

In view of the foregoing premises, immediate enactment of this bill is earnestly sought.

ATTY. SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO

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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD STRETCHING FROM BARANGAY AMGANAD, MUNICIPALITY OF BANAUE TO THE BARANGAYS NORTHERN CABABUYAN, CABABUYAN, POBLACION, AND PIWONG, MUNICIPALITY OF HINGYON, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF IFUGAO INTO A NATIONAL ROAD, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

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

SECTION 1. The road stretching from barangay Amganad in the Municipality of Banaue to barangays Northern Cababuyan, Cababuyan, Poblacion, and Piwong in the Municipality of Hingyon, all in the province of Ifugao, is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provisions of this including in the Department the program of its improvement, repairs and maintenance, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriation Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the official gazette and in any newspaper of general circulations.

Approved,