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House Bill No. 3699



Introduced by: **REP. JUAN FIDEL FELIPE F. NOGRALES**
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 9 of Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "The State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all."

Montalban (Rodriguez), Rizal is a first class municipality in the province of Rizal, Philippines. According to the 2020 National Census, it has a population of 443,954 people making it the most populous municipality in the Philippines. Rizal province is closely connected with Metro Manila but access to the metro has been challenged by its geographic location.

Montalban is a vibrant community where the citizens have a strong pride in their community, resiliency through challenges, and concern for the welfare of all. Montalban is gearing up for further developments in the municipality as developments in the National Capital Region (NCR) are fast expanding to the east of NCR. Many residents of the municipality are the backbone of NCR's economy, providing the support jobs and services needed in the capital. Indeed, improving an existing road and making it more accessible to locals, especially those in trading and transportation opens more avenue for further development of the city. One of the main access roads of the municipality to NCR is the Payatas Road linking it with Quezon City.

On October 21, 2009, the Department of Public Works and Highways under DO 54-2009, by its authority, declared Payatas Road, formerly Litex Road, as a national road. The declaration covers Jct. Batasan Road to End of Rodriguez-San Jose Road.

This bill seeks to legislate the conversion the Payatas Road connecting Quezon City and Montalban, into a national road to improve the accessibility of residents, develop more convenient route in the exchange of goods and services to and from the locality, and provide more viable economic growth to the community. This bill also seeks to rename Payatas Road into BBM Highway to signify the importance of the road as the symbol of progress of Montalban linking it with Quezon City. This would also signify the recovery of Montalban from the devastating effect of the pandemic and will usher in years of cooperation and development for both local government units. This will be the symbol of physical transformation of the new Montalban.

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


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**AN ACT CONVERTING PAYATAS ROAD TRAVERSING JCT.
BATASAN ROAD TO END OF RODRIGUEZ-SAN JOSE ROAD. INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD AND RENAMING IT AS BBM HIGHWAY**

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

SECTION 1. Payatas Road covering the stretch of six kilometers and six hundred fifty nine meters (6.659 kms) from Jct. Batasan Road to End of Rodriguez-San Jose Road. Between Quezon City and Montalban is hereby converted into a national road and shall also be renamed as BBM Highway.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the expansion of the said road into a **six**-way highway which shall include the purchase of right of way, improvement, maintenance, and repair of the said road, the funding of which **shall** be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. Repealing Clause.—All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or other issuances or parts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. 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