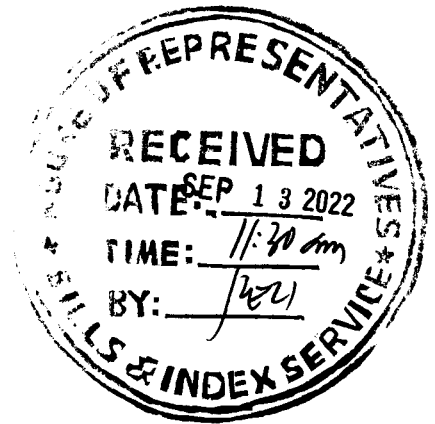




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EXPLANATORY NOTE

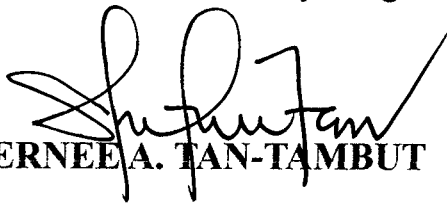
This bill seeks to convert the Kajatian-Junction Buansa Road in the Municipality of Indanan, Province of Sulu from a provincial road to a national road. It is one of the sections of Sulu Island Circumferential Road with a length of 2.352 kilometers.

The Sulu Island Circumferential Road is a key thoroughfare of the Province of Sulu that connects the coastal municipalities to the capital town of Jolo and to the different municipal ports prime. It enables the farmers, fisherfolk and other entrepreneurs to transport their commodities to other economic centers outside the province such as Isabela City in Basilan, Zamboanga City, and Port of Bongao in Tawi Tawi.

The Sulu Circumferential Road also connects to different arterial roads that leads to some beaches and recreational resorts, which are potential tourist destinations. Unfortunately, there are still armed conflicts happening in some areas in Sulu due to socio-political reasons and travelers are advised to seek assistance from the provincial tourism office for safety and security.

Converting Kajatian-Junction Buansa Provincial Road into a national road will ensure its repair, maintenance and improvement, which in turn, will accelerate infrastructure and economic development in the area. Such development is crucial to create a business conducive environment that may reduce, if not totally eliminate, armed struggles. The conversion will surely benefit not only the residents of Indanan, but all the people of Sulu.

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



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AN ACT
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ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF INDANAN, PROVINCE OF SULU,
INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Kajatian-Junction Buansa Provincial Road in the Municipality of Indanan, Province of Sulu, is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program, the repair, maintenance and improvement of the national 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 a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,