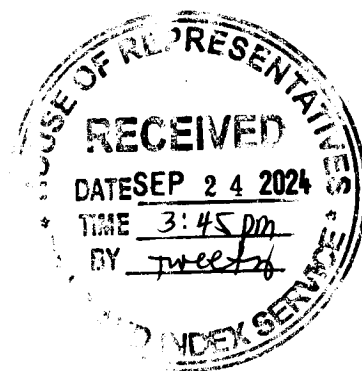


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NINETEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. **10968**



INTRODUCED BY REP. JAMES "JOJO" ANG JR.,
REP. JULIENNE BARONDA, AND REP. JANETTE L. GARIN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to rename the Iloilo River North Bank Road stretching from Barangay Tabucan, Madurriao, Iloilo City to Baranggay Cagbang, Oton located in the Province of Iloilo, to Atty. Cesar M. Drilon Sr. Avenue.

Atty. Cesar M. Drilon Sr. epitomizes the hardworking and indomitable spirit of the *Ilonggos*. Born on April 29, 1920 in Dumangas, Iloilo, Atty. Drilon came from humble beginnings. He was constrained to move to Molo, Iloilo City at a very early age due to the untimely death of his father. This unfortunate circumstance did not deter Atty. Drilon from pursuing his dream of eventually becoming a lawyer.

Atty. Drilon was the proud product of the outstanding Ilonggo educational system. He studied at Baluarte Elementary School, selling *pandesal* from Sta. Ana Bakery near the Molo Plaza, in order to augment the funds needed for his school. He then graduated high school from the Iloilo National High School. He subsequently took up Vocational Carpentry studies at Iloilo Trade School, now known as Iloilo Science and Technology University.

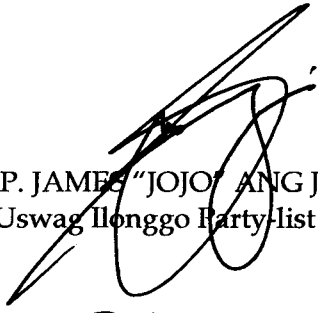
In 1944, Atty. Drilon married the love of his life, and fellow *Ilonggo*, Primitiva Magtunao. They have four children, namely Franklin, Cesar, Eleanor, and Julius. Their eldest, Franklin M. Drilon, would later on become an esteemed lawyer, Cabinet Secretary, and Senator of the Philippines.

Atty. Drilon first worked as a messenger, then as a crop loan inspector, at the Philippine National Bank (PNB) in order to support his growing family. However, he refused to give up his dream of becoming a lawyer, and enrolled in the Iloilo City Colleges, now known as the PHINMA University of Iloilo, while working in PNB. He persevered and graduated with a degree in B.S. Commerce. Atty. Drilon continued with his studies while working, and eventually fulfilled one of his dreams, by graduating with a Bachelor of Laws degree at the Iloilo City Colleges in 1964. He would pass the Philippine Bar examination in the same year.

Proving his impeccable work ethic, Atty. Drilon was promoted to the PNB Legal Department of the Main Branch of PNB in Iloilo City, subsequently transferred to the PNB Passi Branch as Branch Manager, and assigned once again to the PNB Main Branch in Iloilo City, where he eventually retired in 1984.

Atty. Drilon was a true *kasimanwa*, serving his fellow *Ilonggos* during his long and illustrious life. He passed on this same trait to his children, who display the same love and respect for the province of Iloilo. Atty. Drilon peacefully passed away on April 7, 1995, coinciding with the same year that his son, Franklin M. Drilon, would first become a Senator of the Philippines.

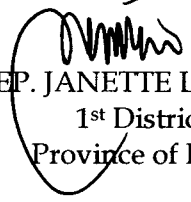
Thus, the renaming of the Iloilo River North Bank Road honors the memory and enduring impact of Atty. Cesar M. Drilon Sr. to the province of Iloilo, highlighting his lifelong commitment to the welfare and development his fellow *Ilonggos*.



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**AN ACT RENAMING THE ILOILO RIVER NORTH BANK ROAD
STRETCHING FROM BRGY. TABUCAN, MANDURRIO, ILOILO CITY
TO BRGY. CAGBANG, OTON LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO
TO ATTY. CESAR M. DRILON SR. AVENUE**

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Iloilo River North Bank Road stretching from Baranggay Tabucan,
2 Madurriao, Iloilo City to Baranggay Cagbang, Oton located in the Province of Iloilo is
3 hereby renamed as Atty. Cesar M. Drilon Sr. Avenue.
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5 **SECTION 2.** The Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary
6 rules, orders, and circulars to implement the provision of this Act within sixty (60) days
7 from its effectivity.
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9 **SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette
10 or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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12 Approved