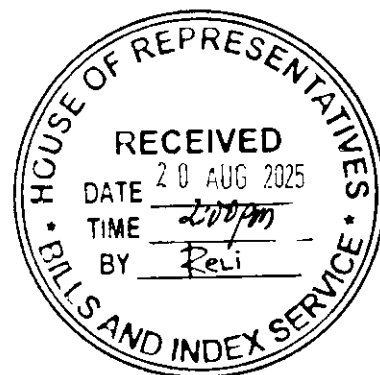




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House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3893



Introduced by **Representative Katrina Reiko Chua-Tai**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure aims to convert the C. A. Fernandez Road into a national road. This reclassification will enable the Department of Public Works and Highways and relevant national agencies to take charge of its development, ensuring access to essential funding and technical support.

The C. A. Fernandez Road or also known as the Baliwasan Chico Road, operates at the level of a national highway. It accommodates a significant volume of motorists and pedestrians at all times of the day. It is indispensable for the movement of goods, services, and people, impacting not only the First Legislative District of Zamboanga City but also regional transport networks.

Unfortunately, this critical thoroughfare remains under local jurisdiction and is plagued by chronic congestion, deteriorating infrastructure, and a troubling rate of traffic-related accidents. The local government lacks the necessary resources to fund the urgent improvements, rehabilitation, and maintenance required.

This proposed conversion is not just an administrative change; it is a strategic intervention that will decisively alleviate traffic congestion, enhance road safety, and bolster the First Legislative District of Zamboanga City's economic vitality. Most importantly, it will significantly improve the daily lives of my constituents by ensuring a safer, more efficient, and reliable road network.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is highly and earnestly recommended.

KATRINA REIKO CHUA-TAI



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AN ACT

**CONVERTING THE C. A. FERNANDEZ CITY ROAD, ALSO KNOWN AS
THE BALIWASAN CHICO ROAD, IN ZAMBOANGA CITY INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The C. A. Fernandez Road, also known as the Baliwasan
Chico Road in Zamboanga City, 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 said 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,