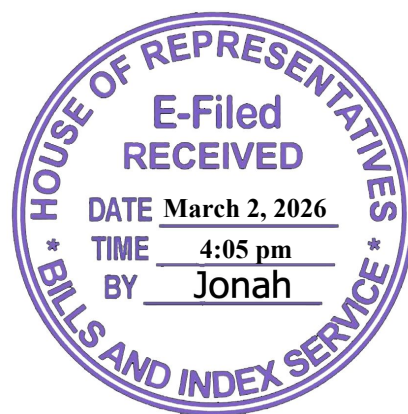




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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The San Fernando-San Jacinto-Monreal Road in the Province of Masbate serves as a vital transportation link connecting the municipalities of San Fernando, San Jacinto and Monreal. This road plays a crucial role in facilitating the movement of people, goods and services, thereby contributing significantly to local economic growth and social development.

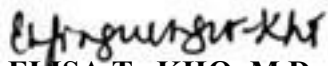
Despite its importance, the road has not been fully developed and maintained meet the increasing demands of the public due to the limited financial capability of the concerned Local Government Units. This has resulted in portions of the road becoming difficult to traverse, especially during adverse weather conditions, thereby hindering economic activities and posing risks to public safety.

The conversion of the San Fernando-San Jacinto-Monreal Road into a national road will transfer its administration, improvement, and maintenance to the National Government through the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH). This will ensure the allocation of sufficient funding for its rehabilitation, upgrading, and long-term preservation in accordance with national standards.

Moreover, the proposed measure will enhance inter-municipal connectivity, boost tourism potential in the Province of Masbate, and accelerate socio-economic development in the region. It will also provide more efficient access for government services and disaster response operations.

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


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IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN FERNANDO, SAN JACINTO AND
MONREAL, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, 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 San Fernando-San Jacinto-Monreal Road in the Municipality of San Fernando-San Jacinto-Monreal, Province of Masbate is hereby converted into a National Road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

SECTION 2. The technical description of the road shall be determined by the Engineering District Office and the Secretary of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the official gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,