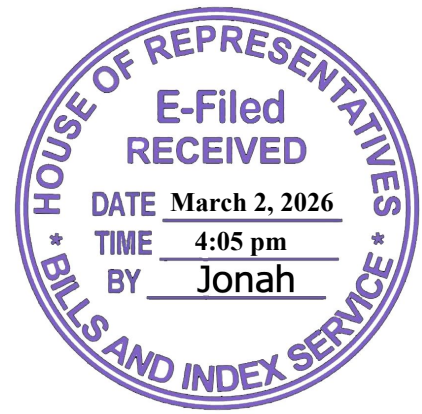




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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The development of an efficient and reliable road network remains a cornerstone of national progress, as it ensures mobility, supports local industries, and improves access to essential services. The Poblacion–Quintina Road, situated in the Municipality of San Pascual within the Province of Masbate, currently falls under the jurisdiction of the concerned Local Government Unit.

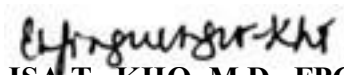
This road serves as a significant link between the poblacion area and the barangay of Quintina, enabling the transport of agricultural produce, fishery goods, and daily commodities, while also providing residents with access to schools, health facilities, and government services. Over the years, the volume of traffic along the Poblacion–Quintina Road has steadily increased due to expanding economic activities and population growth.

However, the local government’s limited financial capacity has constrained the timely rehabilitation, upgrading, and maintenance of the road. Consequently, certain portions remain underdeveloped, affecting the efficiency of transportation and the safety of commuters.

Converting the Poblacion–Quintina Road into a national road will allow the National Government, through the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), to assume full responsibility for its improvement and maintenance. This will ensure that the road is upgraded in accordance with national standards and is provided with adequate and sustained funding. Furthermore, the proposed conversion will strengthen connectivity between rural and urban areas, stimulate local commerce, enhance tourism opportunities, and contribute to the overall socio-economic development of the Province of Masbate.

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


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AN ACT CONVERTING THE POBLACION-QUINTINA ROAD, 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 Poblacion-Quintina Road in the Municipality of San Pascual, 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,