Republic of the Philippines **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**Quezon City, Metro Manila



18TH CONGRESS First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 624

Introduced by Representative CARLITO S. MARQUEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to rename a highway to former Congressman Allen S. Quimpo. This is a re-filed bill in the 17th Congress and was approved on Third and Final Reading on February 7, 2019 and was pending in Senate Committee on Public Works and Highways. Former Congressman Allen Salas Quimpo, who served as Vice Mayor of Kalibo, Province of Aklan from 1980 to 1988 and consequently served as Mayor of the capital town from 1988 to 1992 before he represented the Lone District of Aklan for three (3) consecutive terms from 1992-2001.

He was an acknowledged political icon who reigned over the political, social and economic landscape of Aklan during his time. He transformed the province into a progressive one and spattered the lives of countless Aklanons in many generations but also significantly underwrote to the development of the nation and many generations of Filipinos when he predominantly authored or co-authored several landmark legislations and passed into law various measures of national relevance, extent, implication and

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impact and which revolutionized and rationalized social order in basic and higher education and skills development.

Until his death on December 14, 2016, Atty. Quimpo was highly esteemed and well-admired not only for his sterling record as a public servant but also for his toil for environmental fortification and sustainable development through his famed Kalibo Mangrove Reforestation Project (Bakhawan Eco-Park).

The Kalibo-Altavas Road traversing the towns of Kalibo, Banga, Balete, Batan and Altavas was still known as the "abortion road" for commuters and for the transport of products and goods until such instance that Cong. Quimpo expedited the release of funding requirements for the upgrading and complete cement-paving of the entire segment of the road which is now known as the Kalibo Highway. The unrelenting efforts of Atty. Quimpo greatly eased the undertaking of people and goods that played a major role in the rapid economic development of the province.

The proposed Congressman Allen Salas Quimpo National Highway is only part of the 47.587 kilometer-stretch of the Kalibo Highway starting from the Kalibo-Banga-New Washington Junction at Barangay Andagao, Kalibo all the way to the Aklan-Capiz boundary in Altavas town traversing the towns of Banga, Balete and Batan and the barangays along the route.

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imperative need to perpetuate and immortalize his rumination so that his noble acts and deeds in the service of humanity may serve as living examples worthy of emulation by grateful people.

For the foregoing reason, immediate passage of this bill is urgently sought.

ENGR. CARLITO "Lito" S. MARQUEZ

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AN ACT

RENAMING THE KALIBO-BANGA-BALETE-BATAN-ALTAVAS NATIONAL ROAD WHICH IS PART OF THE KALIBO HIGHWAY, STRETCHING FROM THE NUMANCIA-KALIBO BOUNDARY AT BARANGAY LAGUINBANUA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TRAVERSING BARANGAYS NUMANCIA, POBLACION. ANDAGAO, ESTANCIA, TIGAYON AND LINABUAN NORTE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KALIBO, BARANGAYS LINABUAN SUR, JUMARAP, MAMBOG, POBLACION, TABAYON, LIBAS, AND VENTURANZA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BANGA, BARANGAYS FULGENCIO, FELICIANO, CALIZO, MORALES, POBLACION, CORTES AND ARANAS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALETE, BARANGAYS LALAB AND CABUGAO IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BARANGAYS CABUGAO, LINAYASAN, BATAN, POBLACION, MAN-UP, CABANGILA, UP TO THE CAPIZ-AKLAN BOUNDARY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALTAVAS, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN, AS "CONGRESSMAN ALLEN SALAS **QUIMPO NATIONAL HIGHWAY"**

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

- **SECTION 1.** The Kalibo-Banga-Balete-Batan-Altavas
- National Road, which is part of the Kalibo Highway, stretching

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- 1 from the Numancia-Kalibo boundary at Barangay Laguinbanua in
- 2 the Municipality of Numancia, traversing Barangays Poblacion,
- 3 Andagao, Estancia, Tigayon and Linabuan Norte in the
- 4 Municipality of Kalibo, Barangays Linabuan Sur, Jumarap,
- 5 Mambog, Poblacion, Tabayon, Libas, and Venturanza in the
- 6 Municipality of Banga, Barangays Fulgencio, Feliciano, Calizo,
- 7 Morales, Poblacion, Cortes and Aranas in the Municipality of
- 8 Balete, Barangays Lalab and Cabugao in the Municipality of
- 9 Batan, Barangays Cabugao, Linayasan, Odiong, Poblacion, Man-
- up, Cabangila up to the Capiz-Aklan boundary in the Municipality
- of Altavas, all in the Province of Aklan, is hereby renamed as
- "Congressman Allen Salas Quimpo National Highway".
- The west section of Kalibo Highway, composing the Kalibo
- 14 Numancia Bridge, Roxas Avenue, Mabini Street and D. Maagma
- 15 Street shall not be a part of the Congressman Allen Salas Quimpo
- National Highway.
- Sec. 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall
- issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the
- 19 provisions of this Act within sixty (60) days from its effectivity.

- Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
- publication in the official Gazette or in a newspaper of general
- 3 circulation.
- 4 Approved.