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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The bill seeks to declare the road which stretches from Barangay Bagatangki, Municipality of Malinao, Province of Albay to Barangay San Ramon, City of Iriga, up to Barangay Hanawan in the Municipality of Ocampo, Province of Camarines Sur otherwise known as the Gov. Felix O. Alfelor, Sr. National Highway as a national road.

The said road now known as the Gov. Felix O. Alfelor, Sr. National Highway pursuant to Republic Act No. 9686 signed by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on August 4, 2009 was constructed by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) to serve as an alternate route from the Province of Camarines Sur in going to popular tourist destinations in the Province of Albay.

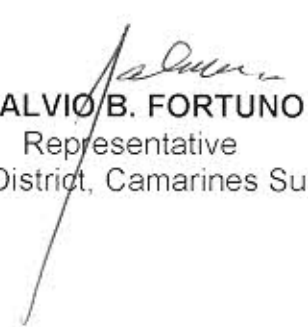
Recognizing the importance of this vital link to known tourist destinations in the neighboring Province of Albay, the DPWH has spent over a hundred million pesos for its construction and graveling to make this road network passable.

It is unfortunate however, that the DPWH did not include this vital road network in their inventory of national roads and therefore, no fund is allocated for its improvement, repair and maintenance annually. Neither did the Province of Camarines Sur consider this as a provincial road in view of its nomenclature as a national highway.

It is worthy to emphasize that if this important road network will be abandoned as in its present state, the millions of pesos which were spent by the DPWH for its construction will be squandered to the detriment of the taxpayers.

It is therefore necessary that through this measure, the improvement, repair and maintenance of the aforementioned road network will be done by the DPWH.

The foregoing reasons warrant the approval of this bill.

  
**SALVIO B. FORTUNO**

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**AN ACT**

**DECLARING THE ROAD WHICH STRETCHES FROM BARANGAY BAGATANGKI, MUNICIPALITY OF MALINAO, PROVINCE OF ALBAY TO BARANGAY SAN RAMON, CITY OF IRIGA, UP TO BARANGAY HANAWAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF OCAMPO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOV. FELIX O. ALFELOR, SR. NATIONAL HIGHWAY PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9686 AS A NATIONAL ROAD**

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

**SECTION 1.** The road which stretches from Barangay Bagatangki, Municipality of Malinao, Province of Albay to Barangay San Ramon, City of Iriga, up to Barangay Hanawan in the Municipality of Ocampo, Province of Camarines Sur otherwise known as the Gov. Felix O. Alfelor, Sr. National Highway pursuant to Republic Act No. 9686 is hereby declared as a national road.

**SEC. 2.** 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.

**SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a national newspaper of general circulation.

***Approved,***