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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 696



Introduced by Representative JOEL MAYO Z. ALMARIO

A RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS THROUGH ITS SECRETARY, THE HONORABLE MARK A. VILLAR, TO DECLARE AS NATIONAL SECONDARY ROADS THE LANCA-LUBAN-CABUAYA ROAD AND THE DAWAN-MAMALI-MACAMBOL ROAD, BOTH IN IN THE CITY OF MATI, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL

WHEREAS, the Lanca-Luban-Cabuaya Road, City of Mati, Province of Davao Oriental, is approximately 20 kilometers of local road that serves as the main thoroughfare from the highway junction of Tibanban-Lavigan National Tertiary Road in the Municipality of Governor Generoso to this part of the City;

WHEREAS, the Dawan-Mamali-Macambol Road, City of Mati, Province of Davao Oriental, at the other end is approximately 30 kilometers of local road which is the only road connecting the highway junction of the Pres. Diosdado P. Macapagal National Highway to these barangays;

WHEREAS, both aforementioned local roads – the Lanca-Luban-Cabuaya Road and the Dawan-Mamali-Macambol Road – face the scenic coastline of the Pacific Ocean on one side, with the hillsides and forests around the Mt. Hamiguitan Range Wildlife Sanctuary – a UNESCO World Heritage, on the other side;

WHEREAS, the barangays have been certified by the Department of Tourism as tourist destinations and the newest hiking, mountaineering, canyoneering, adventure and nature park in the Davao Region catering to ecoadventure and ecotourism, with 12 resorts in the area classified as Special Interest Resorts;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10560 declaring Davao Oriental as Tourism Development Area has placed these barangays in the tourists map as a result of the Department's technical and funding support to improve these tourism destinations as mandated by law;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the world-class tourist eco attractions offered by the these barangays, tourists have to negotiate a long, bumpy, and dusty ride in both roads and find it uncomfortable going through the ordeal of traveling to the said tourist destinations, limiting the area's potential for growth;

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WHEREAS, the concreting of these roads will naturally attract more tourists and investors while, at the same time, provide livelihood and business opportunities which will, in turn, spur even more economic growth and resultantly improve the peace and order situation not only in the City of Mati and the Municipality of Governor Generoso, but in the entire Province of Davao Oriental, as well.

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the earnest efforts of the City of Mati, it does not have sufficient funds to complete the concreting of the entire stretch of the Lanca-Luban-Cabuaya and the Dawan-Mamali-Macambol local roads;

WHEREAS, it is only through the declaration of these local roads into two separate national secondary roads will it be possible for the national government to provide the much needed government funding support for the construction and maintenance of an all-weather concrete road;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to urge the Department of Public Works and Highways, through its Secretary, the Honorable Mark V. Villar, to declare the Lanca-Luban-Cabuaya Road and the Dawan-Mamali-Macambol, both in the City of Mati, Province of Davao Oriental, as national secondary roads.

Adopted,

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