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Introduced by: **REPRESENTATIVE SALVIO B. FORTUNO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare the road which stretches from the boundary of Iriga City and the Municipality of Buhi, passing through Barangays Sta. Justina and Lourdes and ending at the Municipal Hall of Buhi, all in the Province of Camarines Sur otherwise known as the Maximo Noble, Sr. Highway as a national road.

The said road known as the Maximo Noble, Sr. Highway pursuant to Republic Act No. 9687 signed by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on August 4, 2009 measures 8.617 kilometers in the computation of national road length. It is a vital road network which is connected to the Gov. Felix O. Alfelor, Sr. National Highway in going to popular tourist destinations in the Province of Albay.

It is unfortunate however, that like Gov. Felix O. Alfelor, Sr. National Highway, the Department of Public Works and Highways (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 a provincial road in view of its nomenclature as a national highway.

Under this situation, this important road network will effectively be abandoned as both the Province of Camarines Sur and the DPWH will not allocate funds for its improvement, repair and maintenance.

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.


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AN ACT

DECLARING THE ROAD FROM THE BOUNDARY OF IRIGA CITY AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF BUHI, PASSING THROUGH BARANGAYS STA. JUSTINA AND LOURDES AND ENDING AT THE MUNICIPAL HALL OF BUHI, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MAXIMO NOBLE, SR. HIGHWAY PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9687 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 starting from the boundary of Iriga City and the Municipality of Buhi, passing through Barangays Sta. Justina and Lourdes and ending at the Municipal Hall of Buhi, all in the Province of Camarines Sur otherwise known as the Maximo Noble, Sr. Highway pursuant to Republic Act No. 9687 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,