



Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 2235

Introduced by **Representative Francisco Jose F. Matugas II**


EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill which was filed in the 15th, 16th and 17th Congress and re-filed in the present Congress, seeks to convert the road stretching from JUNCTION BARANGAY ROXAS, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO TO BARANGAYS MABINI, LIBERTAD, BAILAN AND T. ARLAN, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MONICA, all of the First Congressional District of the Province of Surigao del Norte, presently classified as a provincial road, into a National Road.

The JUNCTION ROXAS – SAN ISIDRO – MABINI – LIBERTAD – BAILAN – T. ARLAN – STA. MONICA ROAD is a 13.550 kilometer stretch starting from Barangay Roxas in the Municipality of San Isidro traversing the Barangays of Mabini, Libertad, Bailan, and ending in the Barangay of T. Arlan in the Municipality of Sta. Monica in the Province of Surigao del Norte.

Siargao Island was declared as the Best Island in Asia for 2018 and Best Island in the World for 2019 by Condé Nast Traveler. It is one of the leading eco-tourism destinations in the world. It hosts annual international events like the *Siargao Annual International Game Fishing Tournament*, the *Siargao International Marathon* and the *Annual Siargao International Surfing Cup*. It is not only known as the surfing capital of the country but is also considered as one of the best surf sites in the world. This particular road which is being sought to be converted to a national secondary road connects to the Siargao Airport and leads to a prime tourist destination in the area.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE ROAD STRETCHING FROM JUNCTION
BARANGAY ROXAS, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO TO BARANGAYS
MABINI, LIBERTAD, BAILAN AND T. ARLAN, MUNICIPALITY OF STA.
MONICA, ALL OF THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. The road stretching from Barangay Roxas, Municipality of
2 San Isidro, to Barangays Mabini, Libertad, Bailan and T. Arlan, Municipality of
3 Sta. Monica, all of the Province of Surigao del Norte as described in the technical
4 description under the succeeding section of this Act is hereby converted into a
5 national road.

6 SEC. 2. The technical description of the road is as follows:

7 From the Bureau of Lands monument no. 1 (BLLM1) of the Municipality
8 of Sta. Monica, Province of Surigao del Norte thence to point marked one (1) of
9 the road with a distance of 13,011 meters bearing S 61-34 E, with the following
10 lines, bearings and distances to wit:

11	LINES	BEARINGS	DISTANCES
12	1 – 2	N 10 – 15 W	2,531.76 m.
13	2 – 3	N 45 – 32 E	3,115.68 m.
14	3 – 4	N 15 – 32 W	1,657.95 m.
15	4 – 5	N 31 – 17 W	3,070.57 m.
16	5 – 6	N 58 – 22 W	2,585.55 m

1	6 – 7	N 31 – 38 E	60.00 m.
2	7 – 8	S 58 – 22 E	2,600.00 m.
3	8 – 9	S 31 – 17 E	3,111.00 m.
4	9 – 10	S 15 – 32 W	1,700.00 m.
5	10 – 11	S 45 – 32 W	3,100.00 m.
6	11 – 12	S 10 – 15 E	2,500.00 m.
7	12 – 1	S 79 – 45 W	60.00 m.

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SEC. 3. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways

10 shall include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and

11 maintenance of the road, funding of which shall be included in the annual

12 General Appropriations Act.

13 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in

14 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

15 *Approved,*