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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Mindanao is known as the "Land of Promise", but for it to fulfill all its promises, it has to be fully-developed. One step to achieving this development is to link all the provinces in the island. As of the present, Agusan del Sur and Surigao del Sur are isolated from Western Mindanao due to the absence of a East to West Highway. Also, a highway would allow the people from the Caraga Region access to the Laguindingan Airport, with the travel time of four hours from Tandag to the said airport. As such, people from Caraga would no longer have to travel to Cebu or Manila to have access to airports for their travels within and outside the Philippines.

Further, a new highway would open up large tracts of land in Surigao del Sur, Agusan del Sur, Bukidnon, Misamis Oriental and Cagayan de Oro City to agricultural, commercial, residential and industrial purposes.

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

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AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 240 KILOMETER TRANS MINDANAO SUPERHIGHWAY CONNECTING FOUR PROVINCIAL CAPITALS IN THE CARAGA AND NORTHERN MINDANAO REGIONS TO THE LAGUINDINGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

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

SECTION 1. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall construct a 240 Kilometer Trans Mindanao superhighway connecting Tandag in Surigao del Sur to the Laguindingan International Airport. This highway would pass thru Prosperidad in Agusan del Sur, Malaybalay and Talakag in Bukidnon which will connect with the Talakag-Barangay Dansolihon highway and the Barangay Dansolihon-Barangay San Simon-Laguindingan Airport highway.

- SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.
- SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,