HOUSE BILL NO. __4196__

Introduced By:
REP. FRANCISCO JOSE F. MATUGAS II
1ST District, Surigao del Norte *(Siargao Island)*

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill which was filed in the 15th and 16th 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 of gravel roadway 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 in Surigao del Norte is fast gaining global recognition as a leading eco-tourism destination. It hosts annual international events particularly the *Siargao Annual International Game Fishing Tournament* and the *Annual Siargao International Surfing Cup*. It is recognized by international magazines and publications as one of the "must see places" in the world. 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. Hence, the whole of Siargao and Bucas Grande Islands is recognized by the Department of Tourism as a prime tourist site. This particular road 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.

FRANCISCO JOSE F. MATUGAS II

Seventeenth Congress
First Regular Session

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRANCISCO JOSE F. MATUGAS II

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 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:

SECTION 1. The road stretching from 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 as described in the technical description under the succeeding section of this Act is hereby converted into a national road.

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

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

LINES	BEARINGS	DISTANCES
1 – 2	N 10 – 15 W	2,531.76 m.
2 – 3	N 45 – 32 E	3,115.68 m.
3 – 4	N 15 – 32 W	1,657.95 m.
4 – 5	N 31 – 17 W	3,070.57 m.
5 – 6	N 58 – 22 W	2,585.55 m.
6 – 7	N 31 – 38 E	60.00 m.
7 – 8	S 58 – 22 E	2,600.00 m.

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

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7   SECTION 3. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the
8   Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said
9   road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
10   Appropriations Act.
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12   SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
13   the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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15   Approved,