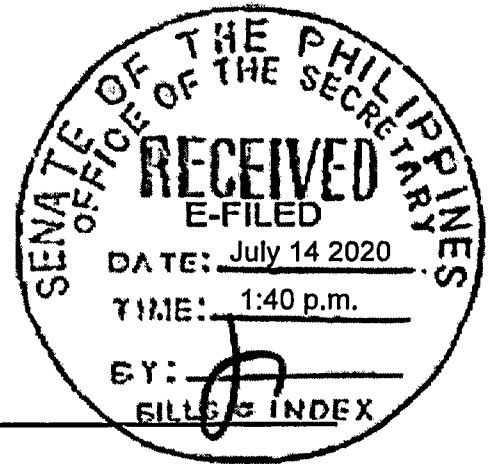


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Introduced by **SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS**

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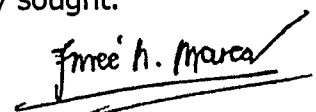
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution, under Article X, Section 13 states that, "*Local government units may group themselves, consolidate or coordinate their efforts, services, and resources for purposes commonly beneficial to them in accordance with law.*" The State needs to significantly improve and develop tourism and economic activities in the country.

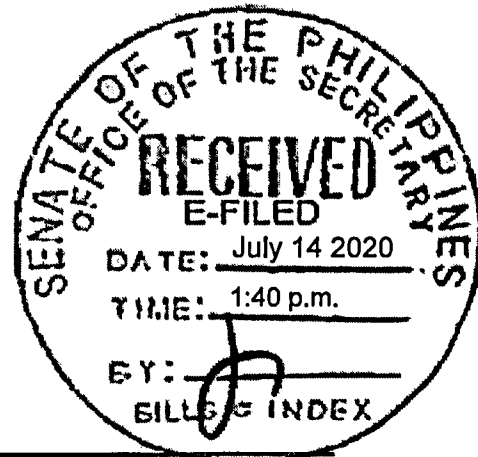
The City of Kidapawan located at the southeastern part of the Province of Cotabato is hailed as a "Spring in the Highland". Kidapawan is also considered as the province's industrial hub and plays a pivotal role in the economic development of Cotabato and its adjacent areas. Makilala is one of the 17 municipalities in the Province of Cotabato and is located approximately at the middle of the three key cities of Davao, Cotabato and General Santos. The conversion of the Kidapawan-Makilala-Magsaysay provincial road into a national road is sought to improve and develop the economic and tourism activities in the Province of Cotabato and Davao Del Sur.

Hence, this bill seeks to convert the Kidapawan-Makilala-Magsaysay Provincial Road which traverses Kidapawan City and the Municipality of Makilala, Province of Cotabato, and ends in Barangay Tacul, Municipality of Magsaysay, Province of Davao del Sur, into a national road. Furthermore, this will facilitate the transport not only of goods and services, but also of people from Cotabato to the neighboring areas in Davao del Sur and vice versa. Aside from the economic benefits, the conversion of the provincial road into a national road will also help in the attainment of genuine peace and order in the province.

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


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

- 1 SECTION 1. The Kidapawan-Makilala-Magsaysay Provincial Road traversing
2 the City of Kidapawan and the Municipality of Makilala in the Province of Cotabato,
3 and Barangay Tacul, Municipality of Magsaysay, Province of Davao del Sur is hereby
4 converted into a national road.
- 5 SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall
6 include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the
7 said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations
8 Act.
- 9 SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two
10 (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,