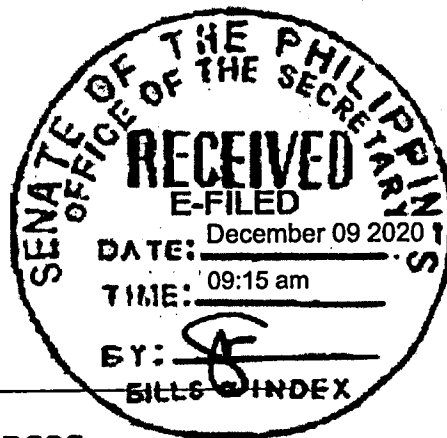


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**AN ACT CONVERTING THE SAGADA-BESAO-QUIRINO, ILOCOS SUR ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Road networks are an important factor for the economic growth and development of a region. Pursuant to Article X, Section 13 of the 1987 Constitution 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.*"

This bill seeks to convert the Sagada-Besao-Quirino, Ilocos Sur road into a national road. Currently, the road is classified as a provincial road. It is a 34.871 kilometer road stretch that connects the Mountain Province and the Province of Ilocos Sur, which gave both provinces and its neighboring communities the means to conduct economic activities and the delivery of social services. Moreover, the road links two very well-known tourist destinations, Sagada in the Mountain Province and Tirad Pass in Quirino, Ilocos Sur.

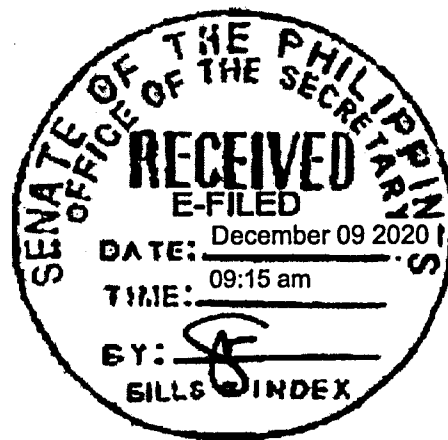
The conversion of the Sagada-Besao-Quirino, Ilocos Sur road into a national road will further enhance the economic activities between the Mountain Province and Ilocos Sur and boost the tourism industry of both provinces.

In view of the foregoing, this representation earnestly seeks your support for the approval of this bill.

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

1           SECTION 1. The Sagada-Besao-Quirino, Ilocos Sur road, connecting the  
2 municipalities of Sagada and Besao in Mountain Province and Quirino in the Province  
3 of Ilocos Sur, is hereby converted and declared a national road.

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5           SEC. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the  
6 Department's programs the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road,  
7 the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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9           SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the  
10 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*