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Introduced by SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS

## AN ACT CONVERTING THE CENTRO LASAM — STO. NINO — PIAT ROAD CONNECTING TO THE CAGAYAN — APAYAO ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Section 9 of Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "The State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all."

According to the World Bank, roads re the arteries through which the economy pulses. Accessible roads make better communities by providing link between producers to markets, workers to jobs, students to school, and the sick to hospitals, roads are vital to any development agenda.

Cagayan-Apayao Road is a roadway in Cagayan province which connects the municipalities of Rizal and Conner to the municipalities of Tuao, Piat, Solana and Tuguegarao. The road covers a total of 110km (70mi) and was first opened in 1910. Several roads were already converted to connect to the Cagayan-Apayo Road to give better access to towns in these provinces.

This bill therefore seeks to convert the Centro Lasam - Sto. Nino - Piat Road connecting to the Cagayan-Apayao Road into a national road to provide more efficient delivery route for basic governmental services and rescue operations during calamities. This bill will also pave way for more opportunities for economic development and improvement in the trade, agriculture, and tourism sectors especially during this time of the pandemic.

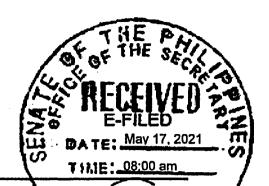
In view of the foregoing, the speedy passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. The Centro Lasam - Sto. Nino - Piat Road connecting to the Cagayan-Apayao Road into a National Road is hereby converted into a national road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public works and Highways (DPWH.)

- SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the improvement of the said road shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its repair and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
- SEC. 3. This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

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