

Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City

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House Bill No. 291



Introduced by Representative Estrellita B. Suansing

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Guimba-Pura Road connecting the provinces of Nueva Ecija and Tarlac into a national road.

The 11.44 kilometers stretch of road starts from Barangay San Rafael, Municipality of Guimba in the Province of Nueva Ecija to the Province of Tarlac.

The conversion of the aforementioned road from a provincial road to a national road will greatly contribute to the fast economic growth and development not only of the abovementioned provinces but neighboring provinces as well. Economically depressed barangays, whose residents are predominantly farmers will have better access to motor transport. Viability of trade and commerce will be greatly enhanced. Vital government programs and services on education, health, agriculture, energy, tourism, and infrastructure can be delivered and administered at a faster rate, thus alleviating the plight of residents in the area, who have been living below the poverty line for years.

Since the provinces of Nueva Ecija and Tarlac cannot fully achieve the necessary maintenance and improvement of the Guimba-Pura Road, the need to nationalize said road is of importance to improve the socio-economic status of the people in the provinces. It shall likewise open up more opportunities in trade and industry in the area.

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


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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE GUIMBA-PURA PROVINCIAL ROAD STRETCHING FROM BARANGAY SAN RAFAEL TO BARANGAY SAN MIGUEL, BOTH IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUIMBA, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, AND TO BARANGAY BUENAVISTA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PURA, PROVINCE OF TARLAC INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Guimba-Pura Provincial Road, stretching from Barangay
2 San Rafael to Barangay San Miguel, all in the Municipality of Guimba,
3 Province of Nueva Ecija, and to the Municipality of Pura, Province of Tarlac,
4 is hereby converted into a national road.
- 5 **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the
6 Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of said
7 roads, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
8 Appropriations Act (GAA).
- 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,