Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3550

Introduced by the Honorable Munir M. Arbison

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Province of Sulu, the 2nd District in particular, has been identified as one of the most economically depressed provinces in the country. This makes all the eleven (11) municipalities in the district dependent on the financial assistance, through the yearly internal allotment, coming from the National Government.

Notwithstanding the vast opportunities for developing the province, especially in the area of agriculture and fisheries which can propel the economy and free the communities from the grip of poverty, the lack of financial resources has persisted in blocking efforts towards self-sufficiency and end development.

The aforementioned provincial road has not been maintained by the Sulu Provincial Government, for lack of funds, for about thirty (30) years to-date, causing its deterioration and thus causing great inconvenience and suffering to commuters traversing the said road, which incidentally is connected to the existing national road in the area.

This bill seeks the conversion to National Road of the 7.10 Kilometers Provincial Road from Barangay Sucuban, Municipality of Omar to Camp Andres, Municipality of Luuk, in the 2nd District of Sulu, thereby giving the residents, farmers, fishermen and commuters not only adequate but improved, better and safer access to other municipalities in Mainland Jolo, especially the Capital town of Sulu, and rendering smooth travel within their respective municipalities.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.
AN ACT
CONVERTING THE SUCUBAN-CAMP ANDRES PROVINCIAL ROAD WHICH CONNECTS THE MUNICIPALITIES OF OMAR AND LUUK, PROVINCE OF SULU, TO 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 Provincial road stretching from Barangay Sucuban, Municipality of Omar, Province of Sulu to Camp Andres, Municipality of Luuk, Province of Sulu as described in the technical description under the succeeding section of this Act is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The Sucuban Provincial road is connected to Romandler Camp Andres National Road.

SECTION 3. The technical description of the road is as follows:

From the Bureau of Lands land monument no. 1 (BLLM1); CAD-160, Luuk Cadastre of the Municipality of Luuk, Province of Sulu thence to point marked one (1) of the road with a distance of 10,382.274 meters, bearing N32°27'30"E, with the following lines, bearings and distances, to wit:
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SECTION 4. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.