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HOUSE BILL NO. 5293



Introduced by Representative Rudy S. Caoagdan
2nd District, North Cotabato

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Arakan-Calinan Municipal Road in the Municipality of Arakan, Province Cotabato into a national road.

Arakan is a first class municipality comprising of 28 barangays. It possesses exceptional scenic spots, such as cascading waterfalls, calm lakes, and exotic flora and fauna. Its natural panorama is an enticing paradise. Aside from its rich tourist attractions, agricultural production is the main source of livelihood in the municipality with products like rice, corn, banana, palm oil and rubber, as well as rattan, bamboo and other indigenous materials.

The conversion of the Arakan-Calinan Municipal Road into a national road will provide immediate funds and resources to preserve and maintain the road worthiness and ensure safe travel for everyone. The conversion will greatly stimulate the tourism industry and promote the Municipality of Arakan as a tourist destination. The conversion will also support economic development of various barangays traversed by the road. Furthermore, it will contribute to the improvement of the socio-economic endeavors and ameliorate the lives of the people not only in the Municipality of Arakan but in the Province of Cotabato as well.

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


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