Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 5296

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

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the road connecting Barangay Sarayan in the Municipality of President Roxas, Province of Cotabato and the Municipality of Kibawe in the Province of Bukidnon, into a national road.

Access to efficient road networks is a crucial factor in economic development and delivery of basic services. It plays a significant role in achieving national development and contributing to the overall performance and social function of the community, thus, it is necessary to make roads accessible and in good condition at all times.

The Sarayan-Kibawe Road serves as an important link between the Provinces of Cotabato and Bukidnon. This road is vital to the economic life of the communities in the areas, since it does not only provide access to the two provinces but it also connects the communities in the barangay to mainstream development. It provides access to health centers, schools, public markets, government offices and some services located or available in other provinces.

The conversion of Sarayan-Kibawe Road into a national road will ensure sufficient funds in the improvement, repairs and maintenance of the road. Maintenance of this road by the national government will bring tremendous benefits to the people of the surrounding communities. It will facilitate a more efficient transport of people and commodities and better access to economic services such as employment, production areas, markets and consumers.
In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is highly recommended.

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THE MUNICIPALITY OF PRESIDENT ROXAS, PROVINCE OF
COTABATO AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF KIBAWE IN THE
PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON, INTO A 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 road connecting Barangay Sarayan in the Municipality
of President Roxas, Province of Cotabato, and the Municipality of Kibawe in
the Province of Bukidnon, is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in its
program the improvement, maintenance and repair of the said road, the funding
of which 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 a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,