EXPLANATORY NOTE

The North Luzon Expressway (NLEX) has become a major factor in the growth and development of Central Luzon, particularly the province of Pampanga.

However, the use of the NLEX, particularly for short distance or inter barangay travel has become costly and impractical for many people in the Province of Pampanga.

It is therefore imperative for government to provide an effective alternative that would cut travel time, reduce cost, enhance rural productivity, and link far flung barangays to their city and town centers.

Hence, this bill proposes to construct a service road along the North Luzon Expressway, within the Province of Pampanga, to help ease the transportation problems experienced most notably by farmers and the commuting public who need to go through the NLEX even for every short distance trips.

The construction of the service road will likewise contribute to the further growth and development of the towns of San Simon, Sto. Tomas, Mexico, and the Cities of Mabahacat, San Fernando and Angeles in Pampanga, as well as certain towns of the adjoining provinces.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A SERVICE ROAD LINKING THE EASTERN AND WESTERN SIDES OF THE NORTH LUZON EXPRESSWAY (NLEX) IN THE PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SEC 1. Establishment of a Service Road. A Twenty (20) Meter Service Road is hereby established linking the eastern and western sides of the North Luzon Expressway in Pampanga to be hereinafter referred to as the Pampanga Service Road.

SEC. 2. Description of Site. The Pampanga Service Road shall stretch from San Simon to Mabalacat, Pampanga and shall link the eastern and western sides of the Luzon Expressway commencing from the San Simon Exit up to the Dau, Mabalacat Exit.
SEC 3. **Construction, Maintenance and Improvement.** The Department of Public Works and Highways shall be the agency primarily responsible for the construction, maintenance and improvement of the Pampanga Service Road.

SEC. 4. **Appropriations.** The amounts necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual appropriations of the implementing Agency.

SEC. 5. **Repealing Clause.** All Executive Orders and Administrative Regulations and Issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SEC. 6. **Effective Clause.** This act shall take effect Fifteen (15) days shall its publication in two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.