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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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HOUSE BILL NO. 9510  

Introduced by Representative Michael B. Gorriceta  

EXPLANATORY NOTE  

This proposed bill aims to convert the San Jose-Bangga Dama road connecting the Municipalities of San Miguel and Sta. Barbara in the Province of Iloilo into a National Road.  

Linking the Municipality of San Miguel, which includes the surrounding Municipalities of Leon, Alimodian and Oton to the Municipality of Sta. Barbara and Pavia, this road also serves as a bypass road from the mentioned municipalities to the Iloilo International Airport located at the Sta. Barbara-Cabatuan Area.  

This road also passes through the Western Visayas Sanitarium and the Iloilo Golf and Country Club in the Municipality of Sta. Barbara. Therefore the regular maintenance of this road is essential in the improvement of road networks and transportation, movements of goods and produce, accessibility to health care and the continued development of tourism in the area.  

The road is currently a Provincial Road, thus its development and maintenance falls under the Provincial Government of Iloilo. But due to difficulties in appropriating funds and the limited budget of the provincial government, the potential of the road cannot be fully maintained and developed.  

The improvement of road networks are essential in uplifting the way of life and economic stability of the involved municipalities by ensuring the point to point accessibility and to provide shortened and quality travel time.  

Furthermore by delegating the responsibility of the improvement, maintenance and repair of the road to the National Government and the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), a much secured boost in safeguarding the consistent implementation of infrastructure development is achieved.  

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

MICHAEL B. GORRICETA
AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF SAN JOSE-BANGGA DAMA ROAD CONNECTING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF SAN MIGUEL AND STA. BARBARA IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The San Jose-Bangga Dama Road connecting the Municipalities of San Miguel and Sta. Barbara in the Province of Iloilo is hereby converted into a National Road.

SECTION 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways shall provide the necessary amount for the maintenance, repair and improvement of the said road and shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This act shall be effective immediately upon approval.

Approved,