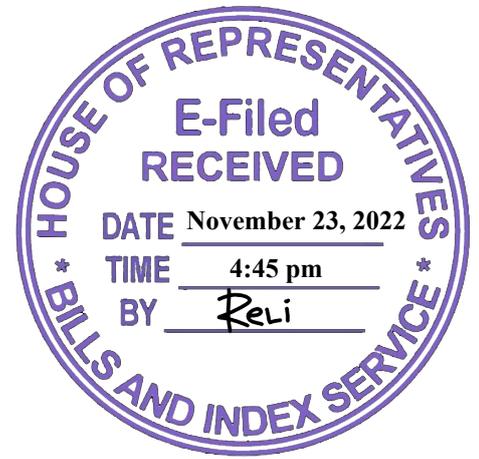


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**HOUSE BILL NO. 6333**



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### **Explanatory Note**

This proposed measure seeks to mandate the conversion of Zapote Road which runs from Barangay 178 up to Barangay 177 in Caloocan City into a national road in order to attain its fullest development into a major thoroughfare, thereby ensuring its efficiency and reliability to the great benefit of the interest and comfort of motorists and commuters who regularly ply this busy street in this part of the city.

The Zapote Road which cuts through to another national road (Camarin Road) has a length of 3.5 kilometers, more or less, and caters to hundreds of road users daily, thus making it one of the busiest street of Caloocan City. It runs alongside government buildings or offices, most notable of which is the North Caloocan City Hall which is located in Barangay 177. Moreover, it serves as an alternate route for motorists to avoid heavy traffic or gridlock which usually happens during rush hour.

To ensure its fullest development as a safe and dependable carriageway, it is most ideal if the responsibility for its maintenance and improvement be devolved to the national government in consonance with the strategic plan design to decongest Metro Manila from heavy vehicular traffic.

In view of the many benefits that may be derived from the conversion of the Zapote Road into a national road, the immediate consideration and approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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**HON. OSCAR G. MALAPITAN**

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**CONVERTING THE ZAPOTE ROAD LOCATED IN BARANGAYS 178**  
**AND 177, CALOOCAN CITY, METRO MANILA 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 Zapote Road located in Barangays 178 and 177, Caloocan City, Metro Manila is hereby converted into a national road under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

**SEC. 2.** The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department' program the improvement, repair and maintenance 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,*