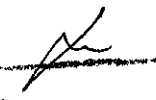


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This legislative measure seeks to change the name of Metro Manila Tollway, otherwise known as Circumferential Road 6 Project or "C-6" to Nurses' Parkway in honor of the significant contributions of our Filipino nurses in the country and around the world.

The Circumferential Road involves a 59.5 kilometer tollway that links the North and South Luzon Expressway via the towns of Rizal and eastern parts of Metro Manila. This tollway will traverse the cities of San Jose Del Monte City in Bulacan, Antipolo City in Rizal, Marikina City, Taguig City and Muntinlupa City. It shall also pass through the towns of Rodriguez/Montalban, San Mateo, Taytay and Angono in Rizal, Bacoor, Imus, Kawit and Noveleta in Cavite.

According to the Nursing Philippine Blog, the country now has "some 600,000 nurses actively looking for jobs here and abroad, or forced to perform work outside their profession. They include the 99,837 who passed the local nursing licensure examinations from July 2008 to July 2009."

The World Health Organization has cited the Philippines as the largest exporter of nurses to foreign countries. According to the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration, from 2000 to 2007, there were about 77,947 Filipino nurses deployed in various countries, with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia topping the list of destination of Filipino nurses.

The Health Alliance for Democracy (HEAD) said that the exodus of thousands of nurses and other health professionals mainly accounts for the 17.2 percent increase in remittances, which has already reached US\$11 billion from January to August of 2008.

As a fitting recognition to Filipino nurses, this bill proposes that the Metro Manila Tollway be re-named as Nurses' Parkway which will serve as a legacy to the nurses' competence and dedication to their profession.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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"NURSES' PARKWAY"**

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

SECTION 1. The Metro Manila Tollway, otherwise known as Circumferential Road 6 Project or "C-6" which starts at McArthur Highway in Marilao, Bulacan and ends at Cavite City, in Cavite, is hereby renamed and shall be known as "Nurses' Parkway" in recognition of the contribution of Filipino nurses in the country and in abroad.

SECTION 2. The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is hereby instructed to place the appropriate street names and markers along the Nurses' Parkway.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon approval.

Approved,