



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING & REGULATORY BOARD
East Avenue, Quezon City

**BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 170
SERIES OF 2020**

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte signed Proclamation No. 922 entitled “*Declaring A State Of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines*” on 8 March 2020, upon confirmation of local transmission of COVID-19 in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, in view of the increased number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte signed Proclamation No. 929 entitled “*Declaring A State of Calamity Throughout the Philippines Due to Corona Virus Disease 2019*” on 16 March 2020;

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2020, Resolution No. 40 was issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, and which was adopted and approved by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte;

WHEREAS, in the said Resolution, the National Capital Region was placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) wherein public transportation shall be allowed to operate at a reduced operational and vehicle capacity in accordance with the guidelines issued by the DOTr;

WHEREAS, in view of the reclassification of NCR to GCQ status, the Board issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-019 dated 14 May 2020 and pursuant thereto, the Board allowed the resumption of operations of several bus routes including the route Ayala – Biñan (Bus Route No. 15);

WHEREAS, in a letter by Mayor Jaime R. Fresnedi of the City of Muntinlupa to DOTr Secretary Arthur P. Tugade dated 17 June 2020, Mayor Fresnedi had requested to consider modifying the Ayala – Biñan bus route to use the South Luzon Expressway (SLEX) instead of the National Road (Manila South Road), citing that traffic conditions along National Road of Muntinlupa City shall be severely and adversely affected if city buses will be allowed to navigate through it;

WHEREAS, the Franchise Planning and Monitoring Division (FPMD), in an e-mail dated 29 June 2020 to the City Administrator of Muntinlupa, presented two options for the said route with one modification which provides for an entry and exit at Susana Heights to and from SLEX and will partially only cover the Manila South Road (National Road) from Biñan up to the Susana Heights Exit (Alternate Route 1). The other option was that the route would enter and exit Biñan at SLEX and not enter Manila South Road (Alternate Route 2). FPMD recommended Alternate Route 1;

WHEREAS, Engr. Allan A. Cachuela, City Administrator of Muntinlupa, in a letter dated 02 July 2020, in reply to the e-mail of FPMD, agreed and concurred with Alternate Route 1 (entry and exit at Susana Heights to and from Manila South Road), upon receiving instructions from Mayor Fresnedi;

WHEREAS, with the gradual and calibrated opening of public transportation, Memorandum Circular No. 2020-038 was issued on 17 August 2020 which added, among other,

the operation of the route Valenzuela Gateway Complex – North EDSA via NLEX, Balintawak (Bus Route No. 32);

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) have set up temporary bike lanes along EDSA and will start construction of protected bike lanes along the entire stretch of to make the metropolis more inclusive and safer for cyclists and pedestrians;

WHEREAS, in order to avoid accidents and untoward incidents relative to the bike lanes on EDSA, there is a need to modify the route Valenzuela Gateway Complex – North EDSA via NLEX, Balintawak (Bus Route No. 32) not to pass through EDSA but instead traverse through Mindanao Avenue from NLEX;

WHEREAS, in view of the daily monitoring of public transport by the Franchise Monitoring and Planning Division (FPMD), it recommends the amendment of both routes aforementioned with respect to their route structure without affecting the point of origin and destination;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, the Board hereby **RESOLVES** as follows:

1. **AMEND** the route structure of the Bus Route No. 15 from Ayala – Biñan via SLEX, Manila South Road to **AYALA – BIÑAN via SLEX, Susana Heights Exit, Manila South Road.**
2. **AMEND** the route structure of the Bus Route No. 32 from Valenzuela Gateway Complex – North EDSA via NLEX, Balintawak to **VALENZUELA GATEWAY COMPLEX – NORTH EDSA via NLEX, Mindanao Avenue.**
3. **DIRECT** the bus operators of both routes to strictly comply with the amended route structure.
4. All conditions set forth in their Special Permit as well as the provisions of Memorandum Circulars No. 2020-019 and 2020-038 shall remain applicable and should be strictly complied with.

SO ORDERED.

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**Adopted and Approved Through Teleconference
on 1st September 2020, Quezon City, Philippines**


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Chairman




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