

**Resolution Authorizing the Ratification by Belize of the Convention of the Latin American and Caribbean Space Agency (ALCE) Motion, 2024.**

**WHEREAS**, Belize signed the Convention of the Latin American and Caribbean Space Agency (ALCE), (hereinafter referred to as “the Convention”) on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024, in Mexico City;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Convention establishes an international organization that will coordinate cooperation in space technology, research, exploration, and related applications that contribute to and strengthen the comprehensive and sustainable development of a regional space program that will benefit the peoples of Latin American and the Caribbean;

**AND WHEREAS**, the ALCE will enhance the region's capabilities in Earth observation systems for use in agriculture, natural disasters (droughts, floods, fires, hurricanes), security and surveillance, oceanography, meteorology, exploration of natural resources and urban intelligence and cartography;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Government of Belize is desirous of ratifying the Convention pursuant to Article 15 (2);

**AND WHEREAS**, section 61(A)(2)(a) of the Belize Constitution, as amended by the Belize Constitution (Sixth Amendment) Act (No. 13 of 2008), provides that the Senate shall authorize the ratification of any treaty by the Government of Belize;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that that this Senate authorizes the Government of Belize to ratify the Convention of the Latin American and Caribbean Space Agency (ALCE), a copy of which is hereto annexed.