Resolution Extending the Proclamation Declaring a State of Public Emergency in Certain Parts of Belize City and Certain Parts of the Cayo District Motion, 2024.

WHEREAS, section 18(2) of the Belize Constitution provides that the Governor-General may, by proclamation which shall be published in the Gazette, declare that a state of public emergency exists for the purposes of Part II of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS, section 18(4) of the Belize Constitution provides that a proclamation made under section 18(2) may be made so as to apply only to such part of Belize as may be specified in the proclamation;

AND WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers vested in the Governor-General by the above-mentioned provisions of the Belize Constitution, the Governor General declared and proclaimed that effective June 24, 2024, a public emergency exists in certain parts of Belize City and certain parts of the Cayo District, as specified in Schedule I and II of the Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Certain Parts of Belize City and Certain Parts of the Cayo District;

AND WHEREAS, section 18(5) of the Belize Constitution, provides that a proclamation made by the Governor-General for the purposes of and in accordance with section 18 of the Constitution shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for a period not exceeding one month; but may be extended from time to time by a resolution passed by the National Assembly for further periods, not exceeding in respect of each such extension a period of twelve months; and may be revoked at any time by a resolution of the National Assembly;

AND WHEREAS, it is necessary and expedient that the said Proclamation should be extended for a further period of two months;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House extends the Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Certain Parts of Belize City and Certain Parts of the Cayo District made by the Governor General on 24th June 2024, for a further period of two months.