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THE CONSTITUTION OF JAMAICA

A PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency, the Most Honourable Sir PATRICK LINTON ALLEN, Member of the Order of the Nation, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Order of Distinction, Knight of Grace of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem, Governor-General of Jamaica.



WHEREAS by virtue of section 20(1) of the Constitution of Jamaica, the Governor-General may make a Proclamation declaring that a state of public emergency exists:

AND WHEREAS section 20(2) of the Constitution of Jamaica provides that a Proclamation made under section 20 shall not be effective for the purposes of subsection (1) unless it is declared that the Governor-General is satisfied, *inter alia* that action has been taken or is immediately threatened by any person or body of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be likely to endanger the public safety or to deprive the community, or any substantial portion of the community, of supplies or services essential to life:

AND WHEREAS section 20(3) of the Constitution of Jamaica specifies that a Proclamation made by the Governor-General for the purposes of and in accordance with that section shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for fourteen days or for such longer period, not exceeding three months, as both Houses of Parliament may determine by a resolution supported by a twothirds majority of all the members of each House:

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that action has been taken or is immediately threatened by persons or bodies of persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be likely to endanger the public safety of the community specified in the Schedule:

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that a state of public emergency exists in the communities specified in the Schedule as a result of the aforementioned circumstances:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PATRICK LINTON ALLEN, Member of the Order of the Nation, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Commander of the Order of Distinction, Knight of Grace of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem, Governor-General of Jamaica, in exercise of the power conferred upon me by section 20 of the Constitution of Jamaica, and of every other power hereunto enabling, DO HEREBY DECLARE that—

- (a) a state of public emergency exists in the community specified in the Schedule; and
- (b) this Proclamation shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for fourteen days or for such longer period, not exceeding three months, as both Houses of Parliament may determine by a resolution supported by a two-thirds majority of all the members of each House.

SCHEDULE

Community in Which a State of Public Emergency Exists

The area of land comprising the entire parish of St. James within the established parish borders, that is to say—

- West: Commencing at the intersection of the sea coast and the common boundary between the parishes of Hanover and St. James at Great River Bay; thence generally south-easterly along the common boundary between the parishes of Hanover and St. James (which runs along the western bank of the Great River) to the common corner between the parishes of Hanover, Westmoreland and St. James; thence generally south-easterly along the common boundary between the parishes of Westmoreland and St. James (along the western bank of the Great River) to Chesterfield Bridge at Chesterfield; thence generally westerly and south-westerly along the common boundary between the parishes of Westmoreland and St. James to the common corner between Westmoreland, St. Elizabeth and St. James.
- South: Thence north-easterly along the common boundary between the parishes of St. Elizabeth and St. James to the common corner of St. James, St. Elizabeth and Trelawny.
- East: Thence north-easterly along the common boundary between the parishes of Trelawny and St. James to the intersection with the sea coast at Minto Manatee Hole; thence northerly along the Trelawny Development Order Area boundary to the territorial boundary.
- North: Thence westerly along the territorial boundary to a point directly opposite the starting point at Great River Bay; thence southerly in a straight line back to the starting point.

Given under my hand and the Broad Seal of Jamaica at King's House, this 8th day of November in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-three and the Second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King Charles III.

GOD SAVE THE KING