

**Appointment of Ms. Payal Ghanwani as a Member of the Integrity Commission Motion, 2022.**

**WHEREAS**, section 3 (1) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, Chapter 105 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2020, provides for the establishment of a body to be known as the Integrity Commission which shall consist of a Chairperson, who shall be an attorney-at-law with not less than five years standing, and six other members who shall be persons of integrity and high national standing;

**AND WHEREAS**, it is further provided by subsection (2) of that section that two members of the Integrity Commission shall be appointed by the Governor-General, acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister given with the concurrence of the Leader of the Opposition, and the other members of the Integrity Commission, including the Chairperson, shall be appointed by the Governor-General, acting in accordance with the advice of the Prime Minister given after consultation with the Leader of the Opposition;

**AND WHEREAS**, with the **concurrence** of the Leader of the Opposition, the Honourable Prime Minister intends to advise the Governor-General to appoint **MS. PAYAL GHANWANI**, as a member of the Integrity Commission;

**AND WHEREAS, MS. PAYAL GHANWANI** is a person of integrity and high national standing;

**AND WHEREAS**, subsections (2) (c) and (3) of section 61A of the Constitution of Belize provide that a member of the Integrity Commission can only be validly appointed with the prior approval of the Senate;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable Senate, having perused the curriculum vitae of **MS. PAYAL GHANWANI**, and being satisfied that she is a fit and proper person to be appointed as a member of the Integrity Commission, hereby approves the said appointment for a period of two (2) years with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022.