Resolution Authorizing the Ratification of Protocols of Amendment to Articles 50(a) and 56 of the Convention on International Civil Aviation Motion, 2023.

WHEREAS, the Government of Belize is a party to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, also known as the "Chicago Convention", which was signed on 7th December 1944, in Chicago, Illinois, United States of America;

AND WHEREAS, the Protocol of Amendment to Article 50(a) provides for an increase in the size of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organisation from thirty-six (36) members to forty (40);

AND WHEREAS, the Protocol of Amendment to Article 56 provides for an increase in the membership of the Air Navigation Commission from nineteen (19) to twenty-one (21);

AND WHEREAS, the Protocols collectively have the objective of enabling a more expansive group of countries to actively participate in decision-making processes involving civil aviation;

AND WHEREAS, the Government of Belize is desirous of ratifying the said Protocols;

AND WHEREAS, section 61 A (2) (a) of the Belize Constitution provides that the Senate has the power to authorise the ratification, including adhesion or accession, of any treaty by the Government of Belize;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable Senate, having examined the said Protocols, authorises the Government of Belize to ratify the Protocols relating to Articles 50 (a) and 56 of the Convention, full texts of the Protocols are hereto annexed.