**BELIZE:** 

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

No. 79 of 2023



(MRS. DIAN MAHEIA) Deputy Governor-General (FOR: (H.E. MS. FROYLA TZALAM Governor-General

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING A STATE OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY IN THE SOUTHSIDE OF BELIZE CITY

By H.E. MS. FROYLA TZALAM, Governor-General of Belize

(Gazetted 27th July, 2023.)

**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 (3) of the Belize Constitution provides that, in order to have effect, the proclamation must contain a declaration of the Governor-General that she is satisfied that a public emergency has arisen as a result of action having been taken or being 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;

**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,** I am satisfied that a public emergency has arisen in the part of Belize consisting of the part of Belize City known as the Southside, and which is specified in the Schedule, as a result of action having been taken or being 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 of the specified part of Belize City;

**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.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Froyla Tzlam,** Governor-General of Belize, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the above-mentioned provisions of the Belize Constitution and otherwise, **Do Hereby Declare and Proclaim** that effective **July 28, 2023**–

- (a) a public emergency exists in the part of Belize City, known as the Southside, and which is specified in the Schedule;
- (b) this Proclamation shall, unless previously revoked, remain in force for a period not exceeding one month, or such longer period, not exceeding twelve months, as may be determined by resolution passed by the National Assembly.

## SCHEDULE

Parts of Belize City in which a State of Public Emergency Exists

- 1. All that area of land bounded **South** by Water Lane, **North** by Orange Street, **West** by Albert Street and **East** by East Collet Canal including all streets within.
- 2. All that area of land bounded **South** of Orange Street, **North** of Reggae Street, **West** of Albert Street and **East** of Central American Boulevard including all streets within.
- 3. All that area of land bounded **West** of Central American Boulevard **North** of Fabers Road, **South** and **West** of George Price Highway including all streets within.

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GIVEN under my hand and the Public Seal of Belize this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

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