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(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.

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

GOD SAVE BELIZE!!

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