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WHEREAS by Proclamation dated the 25th March, 2020 the Governor General declared a state of public emergency under section 20(1) of the Constitution of Antigua and Barbuda, Cap. 23 as a result of the dangerous infectious disease Coronavirus 2019 referred to as COVID-19.

AND WHEREAS PARLIAMENT by Resolution gave its approval to the Proclamation of the State of Public Emergency issued by the Governor General as aforesaid in a meeting of the House of Representatives held on 31st day of March 2020, and of the Senate on the said 31st day of March, 2020 and further declared and resolved that the State of Public Emergency is to remain in force for a period of sixty (60) days;

AND WHEREAS Section 20(5) of the Constitution of Antigua and Barbuda provides that -

"A resolution of a House of Parliament passed for the purposes of this section shall remain in force for three months or such shorter period as may be specified therein:

Provided that any such resolution may be extended from time to time by a further such resolution each extension not exceeding three months from the date of the resolution effecting the extension and any such resolution may be revoked at any time by a resolution of that House."

AND WHEREAS the Government of Antigua and Barbuda is satisfied that the continued effectiveness of the various protocols and measures to control the spread of the dangerous infectious disease **COVID-19** requires that the state of public emergency be continued until the 31st day of July, 2020 unless sooner revoked by a Resolution of the Parliament.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT this Parliament in accordance with Section 20(5) of the Constitution of Antigua and Barbuda **HEREBY EXTENDS** the state of public emergency declared by the Governor General on the 25th March 2020 and approved by both Houses of Parliament on the 31st March, 2020 to the **31st day of July, 2020.**

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Passed by the House of Representatives this 14th day of May, 2020.

Passed by the Senate this 26th day of May, 2020.

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Gerald Watt, Q.C., Speaker.

Alincia Williams Grant, *President*.

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Clerk to the Senate. (Acting)

Clerk to the House of Representatives. (Acting)