COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

ACT NO. 9 OF 2020.

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CHARLES A. SAVARIN

President

8th April, 2020

AN ACT TO AMEND THE EMERGENCY POWERS ACT, CHAP. 15:02.

(Gazetted

April, 2020.)

1. This Act may be cited as the –

Short title.

EMERGENCY POWERS (AMENDMENT) ACT 2020.

EMERGENCY POWERS (AMENDMENT)

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Interpretation.

2. In this Act the Emergency Powers Act is referred to as "the Act".

Amendment of section 2 of the Act.

- 3. Section 2 of the Act is amended--
- (a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following:
- "(1) Where the President is satisfied -
 - (a) that a public emergency has arisen as a result of the imminence of a state of war between Dominica and a foreign State or that any action has been taken or is 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 or to deprive the community or any substantial portion thereof, of any supplies or services essential to life; or
 - (b) that a public emergency has arisen as a result of the occurrence or impending occurrence of any earthquake, hurricane, flood, fire, outbreak of pestilence, outbreak of infectious disease or other calamity whether similar to the foregoing or not,

the President may by Proclamation declare that a state of emergency exists in the State or any portion thereof, whereupon the provisions of this Act shall immediately come into force.".

- (b) in subsection (2) by deleting paragraph (d) and substituting the following:
 - "(d) prohibit any person from being in a public place between such hours as may be specified, except as provided in Regulations or Orders made under