THE FOOD RESERVE BILL, 2020

MEMORANDUM

The objects of this Bill are to provide for—

- (a) continue the existence of the Food Reserve Agency and re-define its functions;
- (b) re-constitute the Board of the Agency;
- (c) continue the existence of the National Strategic Food Reserve;
- (d) repeal and replace the Food Reserve Act, 1995; and
- (e) provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

L. Kalaluka, Attorney-General

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A BILL

ENTITLED

An Act to continue the existence of the Food Reserve Agency and re-define its functions; re-constitute the Board of the Agency; to continue the existence of the National Strategic Food Reserve; to repeal and replace the Food Reserve Act, 1995; and to provide for matters connected with, or incidental to, the foregoing.

ENACTED by the Parliament of Zambia

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Enactment

PART I

PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

1. This Act may be cited as the Food Reserve Act, 2020.

Short title

- 5 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—
- Interpretation
- "Agency" means the Food Reserve Agency continued under section 3;
- " associate" has the meaning assigned to the word in the Anti-Corruption Act, 2012;

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2012

- "Board" means the Board of the Agency constituted under section 6;
 - "Chairperson" means the person elected as Chairperson of the Board under section 6;
 - " committee " means a committee of the Board constituted under section 11;
 - "designated agricultural commodity" means cereal oilseed, stockfeed and other agricultural food commodity designated as essential for the food security of the country under section 21:
- 20 "emoluments" has the meaning assigned to the word in the Constitution;

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