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VICTOR GIRARD,
Deputy Governor-General.

8th September, 2003

SAINT LUCIA

No. 22 of 2003

AN ACT to amend the Official Oaths Ordinance (Cap 165) in order to replace the forms of oaths administrable under the Ordinance and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

[15th September, 2003]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Assembly and the Senate of Saint Lucia, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Official Oaths (Amendment) Act 2003.

Amendment of Ordinance

2. The Official Oaths Ordinance (Cap 165) is amended —

(a) by replacing Section 2 as follows —

“Forms of Oaths

2. (1) The several Oaths required to be taken under this Ordinance shall be in the Forms set out in the First Schedule.
- (2) Cabinet may, by Order in the Gazette, amend the First and Second Schedules.”

(b) by replacing the First Schedule as follows —

“FIRST SCHEDULE

Section 2

FORMS OF OATHS***OATH OF ALLEGIANCE***

I, _____, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Saint Lucia that I will uphold and defend the Constitution and the laws of Saint Lucia and that I will conscientiously and impartially discharge my responsibilities to the people of Saint Lucia. So help me God.

OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____, do swear that I will well and truly serve the people of Saint Lucia in the office of _____. So help me God.

JUDICIAL OATH

I, _____, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Saint Lucia that I will uphold and defend the Constitution of Saint Lucia and that I will administer justice to all persons alike in accordance with the laws and usages of Saint Lucia without fear or favour, affection or ill will. So help me God.

OATH OF CABINET MINISTERS

I, _____, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Saint Lucia, that as a Minister of the Government of Saint Lucia I will discharge my duties and perform my functions honestly, to the best of my ability, faithfully in accordance with the law, and always in the interest of the sovereignty, integrity, solidarity, well-being and prosperity of Saint Lucia and that I will not directly or indirectly communicate or reveal the business or proceedings of the Cabinet or the nature or contents of any document communicated to me as a Member of the Cabinet or any matter coming to my knowledge in my capacity as a Member of the Cabinet except as may be required for the due discharge of my duties as a Minister. So help me God.

OATH OF CABINET SECRETARY

I, _____, being called upon to exercise the functions of Cabinet Secretary in Saint Lucia, do swear that I will not directly or indirectly reveal the business or proceedings of or the nature or contents of any document communicated to me as Cabinet Secretary or any matter coming to my knowledge in my capacity as Cabinet Secretary, except as may be required for the due discharge of my duties as Cabinet Secretary. So help me God.

(c) in the Second Schedule by replacing wherever they occur, the words —

- (i) “Executive Councillor” or “Executive Councillors” with the words “Minister” or “Ministers”.
- (ii) “Legislative Councillors” with the word “Parliamentarians”.
- (iii) “Clerk to Executive Council” with the words “Cabinet Secretary”.

Passed in the House of Assembly this 8th day of July, 2003.

BADEN J. ALLAIN,
Speaker of the House of Assembly.

Passed in the Senate this 6th day of August, 2003.

HILFORD DETERVILLE,
President of the Senate.