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AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE VESTING OF CERTAIN LANDS IN THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Preamble.

Whereas by an Act of the officer administering the Government of the Islands of St. Christopher and Anguilla and the Council and Assembly of the same dated the 1st day of October, 1855, certain lands, messuages, tenements, estates and hereditaments therein mentioned became absolutely vested in the officer administering the said Government for the time being, the President of the Legislative Council of the said Islands for the time being and the Speaker of the House of Assembly of the same for the time being and their successors in office respectively to and for such uses and upon such trusts and to and for such ends, intents and purposes for the public service of the said Islands as should be from time to time declared, ordered or directed by Act of the Legislature of the said Islands subject to certain leases or agreements for lease in the said Act mentioned and to the proviso in the last section of the said Act contained.

And whereas by section 18 of the Act of the Leeward Islands No. 2 of 1882 entitled "An Act for the union of the Presidencies of St. Christopher and Nevis" the powers, authorities and rights of the aforesaid Legislature in respect of the premises were now vested in the Legislative Council.

And whereas it is expedient for the more convenient future dealing with the aforesaid Ordinance lands, buildings and hereditaments for the public service of the Islands of Saint Christopher and Nevis and for removing doubts as to the title to the said lands, buildings and hereditaments that the same should be declared to be vested as is hereinafter ordained and to declare certain trusts in respect thereof.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Vesting of Ordinance Lands Act.

Ordinance lands in Saint Christopher vested in the Governor-General.

2. (1) All lands, messuages, tenements, estate and other hereditaments situated in Saint Christopher vested by the above recited Act dated 1st October, 1855, in the trustees mentioned in that Act shall by virtue of this Act be absolutely vested in the Governor-General for the time being and his or her successors in office to and for such uses and upon such trusts for the public service of the Islands of St. Christopher

and Nevis as are hereby or shall hereafter be further declared by Act of the National Assembly of the State and shall be held, used, conveyed and dealt with accordingly.

(2) Nothing contained in subsection (1) shall be construed to affect the rights reserved to the Crown by section 3 of the above recited Act of October 1st, 1855, nor to alter or effect any disposition of any portion of the lands, messuages, tenements, estates and other hereditaments, whether the same shall have been in fee or for life or lives or term of years or any other interest which shall have been duly made and authorised by any Legislative Assembly or Council of the Islands of Saint Christopher or Anguilla or by any trustee or trustees in accordance with the laws heretofore in force relating to the premises.

The lands so vested to be held in trust for public purposes.

3. The lands, messuages, tenements, estates and other hereditaments hereby vested in the Governor-General and his or her successors shall be held by him or her and his or her successors in trust to be used for such public purposes or to be leased for such term or terms of years not exceeding twenty-one years for such rents and on such conditions as the Cabinet may direct.
