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STATUTORY INSTRUMENT, 2020, No. 39

[ 23rd March, 2020 ]

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE  
GOVERNOR GENERAL

**A PROCLAMATION**

SIR EMMANUEL NEVILLE CENAC  
GCSL., GCMG.,  
GOVERNOR GENERAL.

WHEREAS it is enacted by section 17(1) of the Constitution of Saint Lucia, Cap. 1.01 that the Governor General may, by proclamation which shall be published in the Official Gazette, declare that a state of emergency exists for the purposes of Chapter 1 of the Constitution of Saint Lucia, Cap. 1.01;

AND WHEREAS section 17(2) of the Constitution of Saint Lucia, Cap. 1.01 provides that a proclamation under section 17(1) shall not be effective unless it contains a declaration that the Governor General is satisfied –

- (a) that a public emergency has arisen as a result of the imminence of a state of war between Saint Lucia and a foreign state;
- (b) that a public emergency has arisen as a result of the occurrence of any earthquake, hurricane, flood, fire, outbreak of pestilence or of infectious disease, or other calamity whether similar to the foregoing or not; or
- (c) that action has been taken, or is immediately threatened, by any person, 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 of the community of supplies or services essential to life;

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AND WHEREAS a public emergency has arisen as a result of 2019-n CoV, an infectious disease commonly known as COVID 19;

NOW THEREFORE I, EMMANUEL NEVILLE CENAC, Governor General of Saint Lucia, by this Proclamation do hereby declare –

- (a) that a state of emergency exists for the purposes of Chapter 1 of the Constitution of Saint Lucia, Cap. 1.01;
- (b) that I am satisfied that a public emergency has arisen as a result of the occurrence of 2019-n CoV, an infectious disease commonly known as COVID 19.

GIVEN under my hand and the Public Seal of Saint Lucia at Government House in the City of Castries, in the State of Saint Lucia this 23rd day of March, 2020 in the sixty-ninth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN