

COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS No. 24 OF 2017

PROCLAMATION declaring a state of emergency in Dominica

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

CHARLES A. SAVARIN D.A.H.*President of the Commonwealth Dominica***CHARLES A. SAVARIN***President*(Gazetted 26th October, 2017.)***A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS it is provided by section 17(3) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Dominica set out in the Schedule 1 of the Dominica Constitution Order 1978 (S.I. No. 1027, U.K.) that a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency shall not be effective unless it is declared that the President is satisfied that a public emergency has arisen *inter alia* as a result of the occurrence of a hurricane or if an action is taken or is immediately threatened by 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 of supplies or services essential to life;

AND WHEREAS the President may declare a state of emergency under section 2(1) of the Emergency Powers Act, Chapter 15:02 if he is satisfied that a public emergency has arisen;

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that a public emergency has arisen in Dominica as a result of the passage of hurricane Maria and of actions taken or immediately threatened by persons of such a nature and on so extensive a scale as to be likely to endanger the