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PROCLAMATION

By His Excellency Sir Edward Albert Stone, Knight, Administrator of the Government in and over the State of Western Australia and its Dependencies, etc., etc., etc.

HEREAS by Her late Majesty's Royal Letters Patent, dated the 29th day of October, 1900, it was declared that in the event of the office of the Governor becoming vacant, or of the Governor being incapable, or of his departure from the State, Her Majesty's Lieutenant-Governor, or if there should be no such officer in the said State then such person or persons as Her Majesty might appoint under Her Majesty's Sign Manual and Signet, should, during Her Majesty's pleasure, administer the Government of the State; And whereas Her late Majesty, by Her subjoined Commission dated the 29th day of October, 1900, appointed the Chief Justice, or the Senior Judge of the State for the time being, to administer the Government of the said State of Western Australia and its dependencies, in the event of the office of Governor becoming vacant, or of the Governor being incapable, or of his departure from the State, and of there being no Lieutenant-Governor, or other person holding a Commission under Her Majesty's Sign Manual and Signet then present in the State and capable of administering the Government; And whereas the Honourable Sir Arthur Lawley, K.C.M.G., the Governor of this State, has departed from the State; AND WHEREAS no Lieutenant-Governor has been appointed to administer the Government in the absence of the Governor, and there is at the present time no other person in the State specially commissioned and capable of administering the Government; Now THEREFORE I, Sir EDWARD ALBERT STONE, Knight, Chief Justice of the said State, hereby proclaim and give notice that, having taken the oaths prescribed by law to be taken in that behalf, I have this day, by virtue of the said Commission, assumed the Administration of the Government of the said State; and all and singular His Majesty's Officers, Ministers, and subjects in the said State are required to take due notice hereof, and to give their ready obedience accordingly.

Given at Perth, under my hand and the Public Seal of the said State, this 14th day of August, One thousand nine hundred and two.

By Command,

WALTER JAMES.



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