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Victoria by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith to our trusty and well beloved Sir George Ferguson Bowen Knight Grand Cross of Our Most distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George Greeting Whereas by an Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the fifth and sixth years of Our Reign It was enacted that it should be lawful for us by Letters Patent to be from time to time issued under the Great Seal of our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to erect into a separate Colony any Territories which then were or were reputed to be or thereafter might be comprised within the Colony of New South Wales And whereas by such Letters Patent as aforesaid bearing date at Westminster on the sixth day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty nine in the twenty second year of Our reign We did in pursuance and exercise of the said powers and of all others vested in Us in that behalf separate from the said Colony of New South Wales so much of the Territory thereof as lies to the northward of a Line commencing on the Sea Coast at Point Danger in Latitude about twenty eight degrees eight minutes south and following the range thence which divides the waters of the Tweed Richmond and Clarence Rivers from those of the Logan and Brisbane Rivers Westerly to the great dividing range between the waters falling to the East Coast and those of the River Murray following the great dividing range southerly to the range dividing the waters of Tenterfield Creek from those of the main head of the Dumaresq River following that range westerly to the Dumaresq River and following that River (which is Locally known as the Severn) downwards to its confluence with the Macintyre River thence following the Macintyre River which Lower down becomes the Barwan downwards to the twenty ninth parallel of South Latitude and following that parallel westerly to the one hundred and forty first Meridian of East Longitude which is the Eastern boundary of South Australia together with all and every the adjacent Islands their members and appurtenances in the Pacific Ocean and we did erect the said Territory so described into a separate Colony to be called the Colony of Queensland And whereas by an Act passed in the Session of Parliament holden in the twenty fourth and twenty fifth years of Our reign intituled An Act to remove doubts respecting the authority of the Legislature of Queensland and to annex certain Territories to the Colony of South Australia and for other purposes It was amongst other things provided that it should be Lawful for Us by such Letters Patent as aforesaid to annex to any Colony which was then or which might thereafter be established on the Continent of Australia any Territories which (in the exercise of the powers hereinbefore

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mentioned) might have been erected into a separate Colony Provided always that it should be lawful for Us in such Letters Patent to reserve such powers of revoking or altering the same as to Us should seem fit or to declare the period during which such Letters Patent should remain in force and also on the revocation or other determination of such Letters Patent again to exercise in respect of the Territories referred to therein or any part thereof all such powers and authority as might have been exercised if the said Letters Patent had never been made

Now know You that We have thought fit in pursuance of the powers so vested in Us and of all other powers and authorities to Us in that behalf belonging to annex and We do hereby annex to Our said Colony of Queensland so much of Our Colony of New South Wales as lies to the northward of the twenty sixth parallel of South Latitude and between the one hundred and forty first and one hundred and thirty eighth Meridians of East Longitude together with all and every the adjacent Islands their members and appoints in the Gulf of Carpentaria

And whereas We did by Our aforesaid Letters Patent constitute and appoint you to be Our Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our said Colony of Queensland and We did give and grant unto you full power and authority upon sufficient cause to you appearing to suspend from the exercise of his Office within Our said Colony any person exercising any place under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted or which might be granted by Us or in Our name or under our authority which suspension should continue and have effect only until Our pleasure therein should be made known and signified to You Now know You that We do hereby give and grant unto you so far as We lawfully may full power and authority upon sufficient cause to you appearing to remove from his Office or to suspend from the exercise of the same any person exercising any Office or place within Our said Colony under or by virtue of any Commission or Warrant granted or which may be granted by Us or in Our name or under our authority And We do hereby reserve to Us Our heirs and successors full power and authority from time to time to revoke alter or amend these Our Letters Patent as to Us or them shall seem meet In Witness of Witness of the thirteenth day of March.

By Her Majesty's
Command.

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