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THE STATUES OF THE IMPERIAL SERVICE ORDER.

GEORGE, R. & I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these presents shall come. Greeting:

WHEREAS, by Warrants, under His late Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, dated the eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and two and the second year of His Reign, the twenty-ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six and the sixth year of His Reign, the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the eighth year of His Reign, and the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and nine in the ninth year of His reign, His late Majesty, being desirous of recognising more fully than had theretofore been possible the faithful and meritorious services rendered to Him by Members of the Civil Services of the various parts of His Empire, did, for Himself, His Heirs and Successors, institute and create a new Civil Order of Distinction—to be designated the Imperial Service Order—and He was graciously pleased to Make, Ordain, and Establish Rules and Ordinances for the government of the same :

And whereas We are minded to make certain amendments and additions to the Statutes of the Order:

Now, therefore, in pursuance and in the exercise of the power vested in Us by the aforesaid Statutes, and in order to enable Us to

carry this Our Will and Pleasure into effect, We do hereby abrogate the aforesaid Statutes of the eighth day of August one thousand nine hundred and two, the twenty-ninth day of November one thousand nine hundred and six, the twenty-seventh day of May one thousand nine hundred and eight, and the seventeenth day of June one thousand nine hundred and nine, and the same are abrogated accordingly, but without prejudice to anything done thereunder; and, in lieu thereof, We do by these Presents Make, Ordain, and Establish the following Statutes and Ordinances:

Firstly.—It is ordained that this Order shall henceforth by styled and designated "The Imperial Service Order."

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Order shall consist of the Sovereign, the Prince of Wales, and such Companions as We, Our Heirs or Successors, shall appoint.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that We, our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, Emperors and Empresses of India, are and for ever shall be Sovereigns of this Order.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that only the Members of the administrative or clerical branches of Our Civil Services shall be eligible for the distinction of Companions of this Order.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the number of Companions of the Order shall not exceed seven hundred, of whom two hundred and fifty shall belong to Our Home Civil Service, two hundred to Our Civil Services in India, including the Staff of Our Secretary of State for India (one hundred appointments being reserved for Europeans and one hundred for natives of