

instrument under the seal of the Island to appoint provisionally any fit person to be an official or unofficial councillor (as the case may be) in the place of such member; and in all cases where such provisional appointment shall be made by reason of the temporary absence or incapacity of such member, so soon as he shall return to the said Island, or shall be declared by the High Commissioner capable of exercising his office of legislative councillor, the person so provisionally appointed shall cease to be a member of the said Council. Every such provisional appointment may be disallowed by Her Majesty, through one of Her Principal Secretaries of State, or may be revoked by the High Commissioner, by such instrument as aforesaid.

VIII. Every legislative councillor shall, notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, hold office during Her Majesty's pleasure, and whenever a councillor shall from any cause cease to hold office, the said Council may continue to transact business, and its proceedings shall be valid, notwithstanding that the proportion between the official and unofficial members may be temporarily altered, pending the appointment, provisionally or otherwise, of a new member in the place of the Councillor ceasing to hold office as aforesaid.

IX. The official members of the Council shall take precedence of the unofficial members, and shall take rank among themselves in the order of precedence of their respective public offices, or, in case of any doubt, as the High Commissioner shall direct. The unofficial members shall take

Sign-Manual and Signet as may be addressed to the High Commissioner in that behalf.

XVI. Any unofficial Councillor may resign his office by writing under his hand, but no such resignation shall take effect until it be accepted in writing by the High Commissioner, or by Her Majesty through one of Her Principal Secretaries of State.

XVII. No Law or Ordinance made by the High Commissioner with the advice of the said Legislative Council shall take effect until the High Commissioner shall have assented thereto in the name of Her Majesty and on Her behalf, and shall have signed the same in token of such assent.

XVIII. Notwithstanding anything in this Order contained, it shall be lawful for the High Commissioner, in cases of emergency, to make and proclaim, from time to time, Ordinances for the peace, order, and good government of the said Island, subject, however, to the disallowance of the whole or any part thereof by Her Majesty through one of Her Principal Secretaries of State; and every such Ordinance shall have like force of law with an Ordinance made by the High Commissioner with the advice of the said Legislative Council as by this Order provided, for the space of not more than six months from its promulgation, unless the disallowance of such Ordinance by Her Majesty shall be earlier signified to the High Commissioner by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, or unless such Ordinance shall be controlled or superseded by a Law or Ordinance made by the High Commissioner with the advice of the said Legislative Council.

XIX. Any Law or Ordinance, or any part

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