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## **PROCLAMATION**

by

HIS EXCELLENCY, the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of Zimbabwe, DR. EMMERSON DAMBUDZO MNANGAGWA.

WHEREAS, in terms of section 129(1)(b) of the Constitution of Zimbabwe, the seats of members of Parliament for Harare East and Mount Pleasant have become vacant by reason of resignation of Markham Rusty and Mahere Fadzayi on the 20th of February, 2024, who were the elected members of Parliament for the respective constituencies;

AND WHEREAS it is provided by section 39(2) of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13], that after the President has been notified in terms of the said section of vacancies in the membership of Parliament, he shall issue a proclamation ordering a new election to fill the vacancies in the same manner, mutatis mutandis, as is provided in section 38 of the said Act in regard to a general election;

AND WHEREAS, the Speaker of Parliament has notified me on the 20th of February, 2024, in writing, of vacancies for the aforementioned constituencies:

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the powers vested in the President as afore said, I do, by this proclamation—

- (a) order new elections for the constituencies of Harare East and Mount Pleasant; and
- (b) fix Tuesday the 26th day of March, 2024, as the date on which the nomination court shall sit, commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning, at the Magistrates Court Rotten Row, Harare, for the purpose of receiving nomination of candidates for election as a member of National Assembly Constituencies for Harare East and Mount Pleasant; and
- (c) fix Saturday the 27th of April, 2024, as the day on which a poll shall be taken if a poll becomes necessary in terms of section 46(17)(c) of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2:13].

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Given under my hand and the Public Seal of Zimbabwe at Harare, this fifth day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four.

E. D. MNANGAGWA, President.

By Command of the President.