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GRENADA

STATUTORY RULES AND ORDERS NO. 39 OF 2023

BY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL A PROCLAMATION



CÉCILE E. F. LA GRENADE Governor-General

WHEREAS the nation of Grenada is preparing to mark 50 years of independence on 7th February 2024.

WHEREAS in Grenada's pre-independence and post-independence history outstanding sons and daughters have served, sacrificed and won acclaim and recognition for Grenada, such that they have inspired the nation and have won the admiration and acknowledgement of all for their bravery, courage, outstanding achievements and noble deeds;

WHEREAS October 19, 1983 marked a day of indelible significance in the history of Grenada when Prime Minister Maurice Bishop and other Ministers of Cabinet together with members of the public including school children were killed at Fort George (then Fort Rupert) bringing a bloody end to internal conflict that arose within the People's Revolutionary Government;

WHEREAS in remembrance of and reflection on the events of October 19, 1983, recognising our strides in recovery and growth and to promote further healing, reconciliation, unity and advancement as one people, the Government of Grenada urges its citizens to commemorate this day by participating in activities organised to commemorate this inaugural National Heroes Day;

WHEREAS the Government of Grenada took the decision to observe October 19, 2023 as "National Heroes Day", a Bank Holiday in Grenada;

AND WHEREAS it is enacted by section 7 of the Bank Holidays Act, Chapter 25, that it shall be lawful for the Governor-General from time to time by Proclamation in the *Gazette* to appoint a special day or part thereof to be observed as a Bank Holiday throughout Grenada;

NOW THEREFORE, I, CÉCILE ELLEN FLEURETTE LA GRENADE, Dame Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor-General in and over Grenada, do hereby appoint Thursday, October 19, 2023, to be observed as a Bank Holiday throughout Grenada to commemorate "National Heroes Day", and hereby call on all citizens of Grenada, to participate in the activities planned for commemorating the events of October 19, 1983.

GIVEN under my hand and the Public Seal of Grenada, this 13th day of October Two Thousand and Twenty-Three in the first year of the reign of HIS MAJESTY KING CHARLES THE THIRD.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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