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Acknowledgement of Country

Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited acknowledges the traditional ownership of the Wiradjuri Nation upon whose ancestral lands Urabba Street Reserve is now located, as well as all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities throughout Australia. We would also like to pay respect to all Indigenous Elders past, present and emerging, acknowledging them as the traditional custodians of knowledge for these lands.

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Authorities

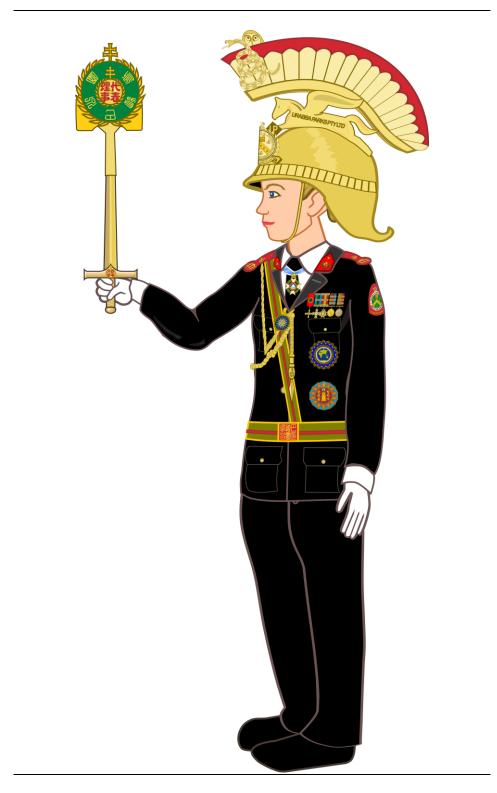
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Assented to 29 August 2022

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No. 3, 2022



An Act establishing Urabba Street Reserve as the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba and for related purposes

UP2022A00003

Note: An electronic version of this Act is available on the Corporate Register of Legislation (https://www.legislation.org.au/)

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Preamble

WHEREAS the Enactor purchased the Rankins Springs campus of Urabba Parks also known as Urabba Street Reserve on the tenth day of August two thousand eleven and on the ninth day of July two thousand twelve transferred the land to Urabba Parks:

AND WHEREAS since the aforementioned transfer to Urabba Parks of the Rankins Springs campus, Urabba Parks has been seeking ways to further its charitable purposes by seeking to connect with like-minded organisations:

AND WHEREAS in furtherance of its charitable purposes, Urabba Parks and another environmental charity, the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, had on 18 August 2022 signed an agreement known as the Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba which permits Urabba Parks to establish Urabba Street Reserve as an ecological sanctuary under the Constitution of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis:

AND WHEREAS the Parliament of Urabba Parks is willing to establish a jurisdictional division for Urabba Street Reserve known as the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba:

AND WHEREAS by the Constitution it is provided that the Parliament may make laws for the government of a jurisdictional division where the legislature of the jurisdictional division does not have power to legislate:

The Parliament of Urabba Parks enacts:

Part 1—Preliminary

1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this Act specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

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Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this Act	A day or days to be fixed by Proclamation.	4 September 2022
	However, if the provisions do not commence within the period of 6 months beginning on the day this Act receives the Enactorial Assent, they commence on the day after the end of that period.	
Note:	This table relates only to the provisions of this enacted. It will not be amended to deal with an this Act.	

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this Act. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this Act.

3 Definitions

In this Act:

County means the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba.

Manager includes the Manager of the County for the time being, and a person appointed by the Manager-General to exercise the powers of the Manager of the County.

Ordinance means an Ordinance made under this Act.

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Part 2—The Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba

Division 1—Establishment

4 Proclamation by Manager-General fixing date on which Treaty shall come into operation [see Note 2]

The Manager-General may by proclamation fix a date for the coming into force for Urabba Parks of the document known as the Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba, agreed to by Urabba Parks and the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis on 18 August 2022.

5 Establishment of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba

(1) Urabba Street Reserve is by this Act declared to be an ecological sanctuary under article 1.4 of the Constitution of Grand Duchy of Flandrensis as a territory under the authority of Urabba Parks, under the name of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba.

No right of abode

(2) Whereas the County is set aside for environmental charity purposes only, no person has the right of abode in the County.

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Division 2—Application of laws

6 Application of existing law

- (1) Subject to this Act, a law of Urabba Parks as in force in Urabba Street Reserve made before the commencement of this section is, so far as applicable, in force in the County.
- (2) In subsection (1), *law*:
 - (a) includes a principle or rule of common law or equity (including one deemed to be existing upon the establishment of jurisdiction of Urabba Parks and not since repealed); and
 - (b) does not include an Act (including an Act governing the continued application of a law falling in paragraph (a)).

7 Ordinance may amend or repeal adopted laws

A law in force in the County by virtue of section 6 may be amended or repealed by an Ordinance or by a law made under an Ordinance.

8 Application of Corporate Acts

- (1) An Act or a provision of an Act (whether passed before or after the commencement of this section) is in force as such in the County except as otherwise provided by that Act or by another Act.
- (2) An Ordinance shall not be made so far as it affects the application of an Act of its own force in or in relation to the County.

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Part 3—Legislative power

9 Ordinances

- (1) The Manager-General may make Ordinances for the peace, order and good government of the County.
- (2) The Manager may not make Ordinances under a delegation made under section 19 unless the Minister consents to the making of the Ordinance.
- (3) Notice of the making of an Ordinance shall be:
 - (a) sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis; and
 - (b) published in the *Gazette*.
- (4) An Ordinance shall, unless the contrary intention appears in the Ordinance, come into operation on the date of publication of the notice.

10 Tabling of Ordinances

Disallowance by Grand Duchy of Flandrensis

(1) An Ordinance, other than an Ordinance made with the approval of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, that is disallowed by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis within 6 months of the Ordinance being sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, ceases to have effect.

Disallowance by Manager -General

(2) The Manager-General may disallow an Ordinance made by the Manager under a delegation made under section 19 within 6 months after the publication of the Ordinance in the *Gazette*, and an Ordinance so disallowed ceases to have effect.

Tabling before Parliament

(3) Subsection (4) applies to an Ordinance unless the legislative directors by circular resolution consent to the making of the Ordinance, or otherwise agree to the displacement of that subsection in relation to the Ordinance.

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(4) An Ordinance to which this subsection applies shall be laid before each House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days of that House after the making of the Ordinance and, if it is not so laid before each House of the Parliament, ceases to have effect.

Disallowance

(5) If a House of the Parliament, in pursuance of a motion of which notice has been given within 15 sitting days after an Ordinance has been laid before that House, passes a resolution disallowing the Ordinance or a part of the Ordinance, the Ordinance or part so disallowed thereupon ceases to have effect.

Deemed disallowance

- (6) If, at the expiration of 15 sitting days after notice of a motion to disallow an Ordinance or part of an Ordinance has been given in a House of the Parliament, being notice given within 15 sitting days after the Ordinance has been laid before that House:
 - (a) the notice has not been withdrawn and the motion has not been called on; or
 - (b) the motion has been called on, moved and seconded and has not been withdrawn or otherwise disposed of;

the Ordinance or part, as the case may be, specified in the motion shall thereupon be deemed to have been disallowed.

Effect of dissolution, expiry or prorogation of Parliament

- (7) If, before the expiration of 15 sitting days after notice of a motion to disallow an Ordinance or part of an Ordinance has been given in a House of the Parliament:
 - (a) the House of Ordinaries is dissolved or expires, or the Parliament is prorogued; and
 - (b) at the time of the dissolution, expiry or prorogation, as the case may be:
 - (i) the notice has not been withdrawn and the motion has not been called on; or
 - (ii) the motion has been called on, moved and seconded and has not been withdrawn or otherwise disposed of;

the Ordinance shall, for the purposes of subsections (5) and (6), be deemed to have been laid before that first-mentioned House on the

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first sitting day of that first-mentioned House after the dissolution, expiry or prorogation, as the case may be.

Effect of disallowance

(8) Where an Ordinance is disallowed, or is deemed to have been disallowed under this section or ceases to have effect by virtue of the operation of subsection (4), the disallowance of the Ordinance or the operation of subsection (4) in relation to the Ordinance, as the case may be, has the same effect as a repeal of the Ordinance.

Revival of law repealed by a disallowed Ordinance

- (9) Where:
 - (a) an Ordinance (in this subsection referred to as the *relevant* Ordinance) is disallowed, or is deemed to have been disallowed, under this section or ceases to have effect by virtue of the operation of subsection (4); and
 - (b) the relevant Ordinance repealed, in whole or in part, another Ordinance or any other law that was in force immediately before the relevant Ordinance came into operation;

the disallowance of the relevant Ordinance or the operation of subsection (4) in relation to the relevant Ordinance, as the case may be, has the effect of reviving that other Ordinance or law, as the case may be, from and including the date of the disallowance or the date on which the relevant Ordinance ceased to have effect by virtue of that operation of subsection (4), as the case may be, as if the relevant Ordinance had not been made.

Application to parts of Ordinances and laws

(10) A reference in subsection (8) or (9) to an Ordinance shall be read as including a reference to a part of an Ordinance, and a reference in subsection (9) to a law has a corresponding meaning.

11 Ordinance not to be re-made while required to be tabled

Where an Ordinance (in this section called the *original* Ordinance) to which subsection 10(4) applies has been made, no Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of the original Ordinance shall be made during the period defined by subsection (2) unless each House of the Parliament by resolution approves the making of an Ordinance containing a

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provision the same in substance as that provision of the original Ordinance, or the legislative directors by circular resolution agree that this section does not apply in relation to the Ordinance.

- (2) The period referred to in subsection (1) is the period starting on the day on which the original Ordinance was made and ending at the end of 7 days after:
 - (a) if the original Ordinance has been laid, in accordance with subsection 10(4), before each House of the Parliament on the same day—that day;
 - (b) if the original Ordinance has been so laid before both Houses on different days—the later of those days; or
 - (c) if the original Ordinance has not been so laid before each House—the last day on which subsection 10(4) could have been complied with.
- (3) If a provision of an Ordinance is made in contravention of this section, the provision has no effect.

12 Ordinance not to be re-made while subject to disallowance

- (1) Where notice of a motion to disallow an Ordinance has been given in a House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days after the Ordinance has been laid before that House, no Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of the first-mentioned Ordinance shall be made unless:
 - (a) the notice has been withdrawn;
 - (b) the Ordinance is deemed to have been disallowed under subsection 10(6);
 - (c) the motion has been withdrawn or otherwise disposed of; or
 - (d) subsection 10(7) has applied in relation to the Ordinance.
- (2) Where:
 - (a) because of subsection 10(7), an Ordinance is deemed to have been laid before a House of the Parliament on a particular day; and

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(b) notice of a motion to disallow the Ordinance has been given in that House within 15 sitting days after that day;

no Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of the first-mentioned Ordinance shall be made unless:

- (c) the notice has been withdrawn;
- (d) the Ordinance is deemed to have been disallowed under subsection 10(6);
- (e) the motion has been withdrawn or otherwise disposed of; or
- (f) subsection 10(7) has applied again in relation to the Ordinance.
- (4) If a provision of an Ordinance is made in contravention of this section, the provision has no effect.
- (5) This section does not limit the operation of section 11 or 13.
- (6) In this section:

Ordinance includes a part of an Ordinance.

13 Disallowed Ordinance not to be re-made unless resolution rescinded or House approves

If an Ordinance or a part of an Ordinance is disallowed, or is deemed to have been disallowed, under section 10, and an Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision so disallowed, or deemed to have been disallowed, is made within 6 months after the date of the disallowance, that provision has no effect, unless:

- (a) in the case of an Ordinance, or a part of an Ordinance, disallowed by resolution—the resolution has been rescinded by the House of the Parliament by which it was passed; or
- (b) in the case of an Ordinance, or a part of an Ordinance, deemed to have been disallowed—the House of the Parliament in which notice of the motion to disallow the Ordinance or part was given has approved, by resolution, the making of a provision the same in substance as the provision deemed to have been disallowed; or
- (c) in the case of an Ordinance, or a part of an Ordinance, disallowed by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis—the Grand

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Duchy of Flandrensis gives approval for the Ordinance to be made.

14 Regulations, rules and by-laws

- (1) Notice of the making of all regulations made under an Ordinance shall be sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.
- (2) All regulations made under an Ordinance, other than regulations made with the consent of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, that are disallowed by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis within 6 months of the regulations being sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, cease to have effect.
- (3) All regulations made under an Ordinance shall be laid before each House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days of that House after the day on which the regulations are made and, if they are not so laid before each House of the Parliament, have no effect.
- (4) Subsections 10(5) to (10), inclusive, and sections 11, 12 and 13 apply in relation to regulations laid before a House of the Parliament as if, in those provisions, references to an Ordinance were references to regulations and references to a provision of an Ordinance were references to a regulation.
- (5) In this section, *regulations* includes rules and by-laws.

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Part 4—Executive power

15 Powers and functions under adopted laws

- (1) Subject to subsection (2), where, by any law in force in the County by virtue of section 6, a power or function is vested in a person or authority (not being the Manager-General or a court), that power or function is, in relation to the County, vested in, and may be exercised or performed by, the Minister.
- (2) The Minister may direct that a power or function vested in a person or authority (not being the Manager-General or a court) by a law in force in the County by virtue of section 6 shall, in relation to the County, be vested in, and may be exercised or performed by, such other person or authority as the Minister specifies.
- (3) The Minister may, either generally or as otherwise provided by the instrument of delegation, by instrument in writing, delegate to a person any or all of the Minister's powers under this section, other than this power of delegation.
- (4) A power so delegated, when exercised by the delegate, shall, for the purposes of this section, be deemed to have been exercised by the Minister.
- (5) A delegation of a power under this section does not prevent the exercise of the power by the Minister.
- (6) The Minister may appoint, on such terms as to remuneration and otherwise as are determined by the Minister, such persons as the Minister considers necessary to exercise powers and perform functions under this section.

16 Arrangements with Ministers and jurisdictional divisions

The Minister may make arrangements with the appropriate Minister of Urabba Parks or a jurisdictional division for the exercise of powers and the performance of functions in and in relation to the County under laws in force in the County by officers and employees of the Government of Urabba Parks or the

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jurisdictional division concerned and of authorities of Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division concerned.

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Part 5—Judicial power

17 Courts and tribunals

- (1) If no court or tribunal of the County has jurisdiction in relation to a particular matter, the courts and tribunals of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division appointed by the Minister with the agreement of the jurisdictional division concerned has jurisdiction in and in relation to the matter.
- (2) In the exercise of its jurisdiction under this section a court or tribunal of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division may sit in the County or where it may otherwise lawfully sit.
- (3) The practice and procedure of a court or tribunal of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division exercising jurisdiction under this section shall be the practice and procedure in force from time to time in relation to the court or tribunal.

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Part 6—Other matters

18 Grant of pardon, remission etc.

- (1) The Manager-General, acting with the advice of the Minister, may, by warrant under the Manager-General's hand, grant to a person condemned by a court exercising disciplinary jurisdiction in or in relation to the County a pardon, either free or conditional, or a remission or commutation of sanction, or a respite, for such period as the Manager-General thinks fit, of the execution of sanction, and may remit any fine, sanction or forfeiture imposed or incurred under a law in force in the County.
- (2) Where an offence has been committed in the County, or where an offence has been committed outside the County for which the offender may be tried in the County, the Manager-General, acting with the advice of the Minister, may, by warrant under the Manager-General's hand, grant a pardon to any accomplice who gives evidence that leads to the condemnation of the principal offender or any of the principal offenders.

19 Delegation to Manager

- (1) The Manager-General may delegate to the Manager any of the powers of the Manager-General under this Act.
- (2) A power of the Manager-General under this Act exercisable with the advice of the Minister and exercised by the Manager under a delegation made under subsection (1) must be exercised with the approval of the Minister.
- (3) A delegation of a power under this section does not prevent the exercise of the power by the Manager-General.

20 Appointment of Manager

An Ordinance may provide for:

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- (a) a Manager of the County who shall be appointed by the Manager-General on advice of the Minister, and who shall hold office during the Manager-General's pleasure;
- (b) the appointment of a person to exercise the powers of the Manager of the County under the definition of *Manager* in section 3;
- (c) the appointment of a deputy of the Manager who may exercise the powers of the Manager subject to directions given by the Manager, provided the appointment of a deputy under this paragraph or the exercise of any of the powers of the Manager by a deputy appointed under this paragraph does not prevent the exercise of a power by the Manager.

[Enactor's introductory speech made in— Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited on 29 August 2022]

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Approved in Council



Daniel James Racovolis Enactor

23 June 2022

Recorded in the minute book



Per the Secretary to the Proprietary Council UP2022D00001M

Minute Paper for the Proprietary Council

Constitution

Affiliation as a Hegemony of the Empire of Imvrassia

Recommended for the approval of the Manager-General in Council that the Government of Urabba Parks be authorised to apply, for and on behalf of Urabba Parks, to become a Hegemony of the Empire of Imvrassia.

Advocate-General Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited ACN 159 318 859



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Attachments

1 Explanatory Memorandum to the minute

Notes

- 1 Each resolution of the Manager-General acting on the advice of the Proprietary Council is a resolution of the members of Urabba Parks: see subsection 13(4) of the Constitution.
- 2 Each resolution of the Ministers advising the Manager-General in the Proprietary Council is a resolution of the directors of Urabba Parks: see subsection 15(3) of the Constitution.
- 3 The Enactor is acting in place of the Manager-General by virtue of being an Honorary Manager present at the proceedings of Urabba Parks: see the definition of *Manager-General* in subsection 4(1) of the Constitution.
- 4 Advice is taken to be given by the responsible Minister to make this Act if the Houses of the Parliament are vacant in the whole: see paragraph 19(2)(e) of the Constitution.



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Explanatory Memorandum - Minute No. 5 of 2022

Subject Constitution

Affiliation with the Empire of Imvrassia as a Hegemony

Urabba Parks's external relations power is exercisable by the Manager-General by virtue of Chapter II of the Constitution which provides, among other things, that the executive power of Urabba Parks is vested in the Enactor and is exercisable by the Manager-General. The external relations power includes the power to handle relations with micronations, which are self-declared states. Urabba Parks does not regard micronations as states and therefore treats such entities as non-state jurisdictions. The Minute recommends that Urabba Parks communicate its application for affiliation with the Empire of Imvrassia as a Hegemony by way of communication to Emperor Aggelos of Imvrassia.

If accepted, Urabba Parks will become part of the Empire of Imvrassia under the name the Hegemony of Urabba Parks. An Imvrassian Hegemony is described as 'an autonomous monarchical state within the Empire.' As part of the Empire of Imvrassia, the micronational interests of Urabba Parks will be represented by the Emperor, who will effectively act as a voluntary diplomat. The affiliation will not affect the internal operations or legal structure of Urabba Parks, and accordingly an Act of Parliament will not be required to bring this arrangement into effect.

The Empire of Imvrassia is a Hellenic micronation that was founded on 11 May 2022 by an individual known as Aggelos of Imvrassia (born 1 September 1981). Initially a self-declared principality, the micronation became the Kingdom of Imvrassia on 21 March 2016, and later became the Empire of Imvrassia on 1 January 2020. Imvrassia maintains diplomatic relations with a number of prominent micronations including the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, Kingdom of Ruthenia, Empire of Austenasia, State of Vishwamitra, Governorate of Graecia and the Empire of Lehmark. The Empire of Imvrassia is a founding member of the League of Hellenistic Micronations.

The proposed affiliation with the Empire of Imvrassia as a Hegemony will enable Urabba Parks to participate in the intermicronational community through an already recognised micronation, without affecting Urabbaparcensian law. The arrangement also benefits the Hellenic character of Urabba Parks.

The Minute recommends that approval be given in the form proposed.

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Decree of Foundation and Establishment of the Hegemony of Urabba Parks of the Empire of Imvrassia

At the 11th Year of Imvrassia, the 7th Year of the Reign of Aggelos P. Augustus, Imvrassian Emperor and Autocrat of the Romans and the 6th and 5th Year of the Reign of the Basileis and Augousti Aikaterini and Stamatios Secretariat of Internal Affairs

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Foundation and establishment of the Hegemony of Urabba Parks

Having in mind articles 21 and 22 of the Constitution

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The foundation and establishment of

The Hegemony of Urabba Parks,

which is from today a territory of the State as a single administrative entity.

Imvrassia 23 June 2022

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Minute Paper for the Proprietary Council

Constitution

Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba

Recommended for the approval of the Manager-General in Council that the Government of Urabba Parks be authorised to ratify, for and on behalf of Urabba Parks, the *Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba.*



Advocate-General Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited ACN 159 318 859

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Attachments

- 1 The Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Regulation 2022
- 2 Explanatory Statement to the *Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Regulation 2022*

Notes

- 1 Each resolution of the Manager-General acting on the advice of the Proprietary Council is a resolution of the members of Urabba Parks: see subsection 13(4) of the Constitution.
- 2 Each resolution of the Ministers advising the Manager-General in the Proprietary Council is a resolution of the directors of Urabba Parks: see subsection 15(3) of the Constitution.
- 3 The Enactor is acting in place of the Manager-General by virtue of being an Honorary Manager present at the proceedings of Urabba Parks: see the definition of *Manager-General* in subsection 4(1) of the Constitution.
- 4 Advice is taken to be given by the responsible Minister to make this Act if the Houses of the Parliament are vacant in the whole: see paragraph 19(2)(e) of the Constitution.



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Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba



BETWEEN the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis (Groothertogdom Flandrensis) and Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited Hereinafter referred to as "parties"

Signed on the **18th** day of the month of **August** in the Gregorian Year of **2022** under the joint consent of the both parties

1. Name

This Treaty is the *Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba.*

2. Commencement

This Treaty comes into effect on a day appointed by Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited.

3. Definitions

In this Treaty:

County means the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba.

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Urabba Street Reserve has the same meaning as in the Constitution of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited.

Note: Urabba Street Reserve is located at 4 Urabba Street, Rankins Springs, New South Wales 2669, Australia.

4. Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

The Wiradjuri people are recognised as the Traditional Owners of the County.

5. Establishment of County

1. There shall be a territory of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited having the area of Urabba Street Reserve with the name Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba.

2. The County shall be an ecological sanctuary under article 1.4 of the Constitution of Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

3. Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited consents to Urabba Street Reserve to be declared as the area of the County.

4. The County is established for environmental charity use only and no person shall have the right of abode.

6. Legislative powers and obligations of Urabba Parks

1. Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited may only legislate for the County in the circumstances specified in Schedule 1.

2. Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited may only change its Constitution if required under an Australian law or court/tribunal order, or if the change is reasonable having regard to its obligations under this Treaty.

7. Status within the Empire of Imvrassia

1. The Grand Duchy of Flandrensis acknowledges Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited as an autonomous Hegemony within the Empire of Imvrassia, a micronational partner of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

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2. The Grand Duchy of Flandrensis will not interfere in any constitutional or micronational affairs as mentioned in section 51 of the Constitution of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited.

8. Revocation of Treaty

1. This Treaty shall be revoked if the area forming the County is no longer principally occupied by Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited for its environmental charity purpose, or if Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited is dissolved.

2. This Treaty shall revoke 30 days after a party to this Treaty sends a show cause notice under this subarticle to another party, unless the notice is withdrawn.

3. Upon revocation of this Treaty the parties shall stop recognising the area forming the County as a ecological sanctuary of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis and Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited shall stop using the identity of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis in relation to any of its activities, unless otherwise authorised by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

9. Post-Treaty obligations

Following the revocation of this Treaty, the party shall not use the confidential information declared as such for the purposes of this article unless also agreed by the other parties involved in the production of the material.

10. No partnership

Nothing in this Treaty shall be construed as forming a partnership enterprise.

Schedule 1. Legislative power of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited in relation to the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba

I. Definition of Urabba Parks

In this Schedule, *Urabba Parks* means Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited in its capacity as a Corporate Government.

II. Powers

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1. Matters of which the Parliament of Urabba Parks may legislate, other than matters falling in paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Constitution of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited (the governance of matters in which the legislature of the jurisdictional division does not have power to make laws).

2. In any case with the consent of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

3. Where the legislation so made is of no effect unless within 7 days of its making a certified copy sent to info@flandrensis.com or sent to another address or lodged on a system specified by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis and liable to disallowance by Grand Duchy of Flandrensis within 30 days of its sending or lodgement. Legislation made under this clause is of no effect if it is the same in substance as legislation disallowed by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis in the past 6 months.

4. The acceptance of this Treaty and the declaration of Urabba Street Reserve as the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba.

5. The application of laws effective in Urabba Street Reserve at the time of the making of this Treaty in the County.

6. The application of non-statute laws of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division of Urabba Parks subject to legislation.

7. The non-application of an applied or adopted law.

8. The legislative power of the County (in accordance with this Treaty).

9. The requirements for tabling of legislation into the Parliament of Urabba Parks, including any limitation on the remaking of legislation while required to be tabled, disallowed or subject to disallowance.

10. Powers and functions under applied or adopted laws.

11. Allowance for arrangements with Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division for the provision for the exercise of powers and the performance of functions in and in relation to the County under laws in force in the County by officers and employees of the Government of Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division and of authorities of the Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division.

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12. The exercise of the judicial power of the County by persons, courts and tribunals of Urabba Parks or other jurisdictional divisions where no authority established under the law of the County has jurisdiction.

13. The representative of Urabba Parks in the County, and performing acts on behalf of Urabba Parks or the representative in the County.

14. Matters relating to the exercise of the executive prerogative of Urabba Parks in relation to the County. For the purposes of this clause, the *executive prerogative* does not include the adoption of any part of the identity of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis without its consent.

Signatories

For the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis

His Majesty Grand Duke Nicholas de Mersch d'Oyenberghe

Nicholas de Mersch d'Eyenberghe

For Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited

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TREATY ON CORPORATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ECOLOGICAL COUNTY (SANCTUARY) OF URABBA

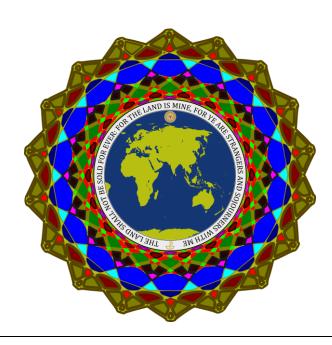
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Subject Constitution

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Urabba Parks's treaty-making power is exercisable by the Manager-General by virtue of Chapter II of the Constitution which provides, among other things, that the executive power of Urabba Parks is vested in the Enactor and is exercisable by the Manager-General. The treaty-making power includes the power to conclude treaties with micronations, which are self-declared states. Urabba Parks does not regard micronations as states and therefore treats such entities as nonstate jurisdictions. The Minute recommends that Urabba Parks sign an bilateral treaty with the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis entitled the "Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba" (the *Treaty*).

This Treaty will provide for the establishment of Urabba Street Reserve as an ecological sanctuary under article 1.4 of the Constitution of Grand Duchy of Flandrensis known as the "Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba" (the *County*). The County will be established as a territory of Urabba Parks. Although the Treaty contains some nominal restrictions in relation to the amendment of the Constitution of Urabba Parks, and its legislative power in relation to the County, it must also be noted that the Treaty is revocable upon 30 days show cause notice sent from one party to another without cost. The arrangement provided for in this Treaty will allow for the promotion of Urabba Street Reserve to a worldwide audience in a way of which is compatible with the status of Urabba Parks as a registered charity and a Hegemony of the Empire of Imvrassia.

The Grand Duchy of Flandrensis was established on 4 September 2008 by Niels Vermeersch (known as Nicholas de Mersch d'Oyenberghe) (born 23 February 1988), Grand Duke. Having its principal territorial 'claims' in parts of Antarctica, the Grand Duchy wishes to establish a network of citizen-operated ecological sanctuaries.

The declaration of an ecological sanctuary as provided in the Treaty will allow for the promotion of the charitable environmental objects of

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Urabba Parks. The Emperor of Imvrassia has consented to the Treaty being made.

It is noted that while Mr Vermeersch is a director of a not-for-profit organisation in Belgium, *vzw Groothertogdom Flandrensis*, the Treaty will be signed by Mr Vermeersch under his micronational name Nicholas de Mersch d'Oyenberghe as the Grand Duke of Flandrensis. The fact the not-for-profit organisation is not relevant as the Treaty is not intended to be binding under either Australian or Belgian law. This is because the parties are considered 'sovereign' entities for the purposes of intermicronational law, and the parties are bound by honour.

Notes on the articles of the Treaty are attached. The Minute recommends that approval be given in the form proposed.

Notes on articles

1. Name

1. This article provides that the name of the Treaty is the *Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba*.

2. Commencement

2. This article provides for the Treaty to commence on a day appointed by Urabba Parks, allowing for its coming into force to be made by Proclamation.

3. Definitions

3. This article defines *County* means the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba, *party* means one of the parties to this Treaty and *Urabba Street Reserve* has the same meaning as in the Constitution of Urabba Parks. There is a note of the address of Urabba Street Reserve as 4 Urabba Street, Rankins Springs, New South Wales 2669.

4. Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

³⁴ Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Bill 2022

4. This article recognises the Wiradjuri people as the Traditional Owners of the County. This acknowledgement is consistent with the practices of other environmental organisations, in recognition of the role of Indigenous people in caring for the environment.

5. Establishment of County

5. Subarticle 1 establishes the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba as a territory of Urabba Parks. A territory is a type of jurisdictional division of which the Corporate Parliament may legislate for under paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Constitution.

6. Subarticle 2 provides the County shall be an ecological sanctuary under article 1.4 of the Constitution of Grand Duchy of Flandrensis. This designation allows for Flandrensian citizens to establish territories affiliated with the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

7. Subarticle 3 provides for the consent of Urabba Parks to the declaration of Urabba Street Reserve as the area of the County.

8. Subarticle 4 provides the County is established for environmental charity use only and no person shall have the right of abode. This is to confirm that the Urabba Street Reserve is not to be used for private, non-charitable purposes such as a family home or holiday house, even if the property is zoned residential.

6. Legislative powers and obligations of Urabba Parks

9. Subarticle 1 provides that Urabba Parks may only legislate for the County in the circumstances specified in Schedule 1. This is to effectively share the divisional legislative power in the County between Urabba Parks and the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, as to ensure the County is as integrated as much as possible into the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

10. Subarticle 2 provides the Constitution of Urabba Parks may only be altered if the change is reasonable having regard to its obligations under this Treaty. This article is only intended to prevent the undermining of the Treaty by way of constitutional amendment, but is

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not intended to limit the power of alteration (provided the amendment does not impinge on laws made to bring this Treaty into force).

7. Status within the Empire of Imvrassia

11. Subarticle 1 provides the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis acknowledges Urabba Parks as an autonomous Hegemony within the Empire of Imvrassia, a micronational partner of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis. This is to

12. Subarticle 2 provides that Grand Duchy of Flandrensis will not interfere in any constitutional or micronational affairs as mentioned in section 51 of the Constitution of Urabba Parks. This reflects the fact that matters relating to the Corporate Government or other jurisdictional divisions are not affected by this Treaty.

8. Revocation of Treaty

13. Subarticle 1 provides that this Treaty shall be revoked if the area forming the County is no longer principally occupied by Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited for its environmental charity purpose, or if Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited is dissolved. This reflects the fact that this Treaty applies to the County specifically.

14. Subarticle 2 provides that the Treaty shall revoke 30 days after a party to this Treaty sends a show cause notice under this subarticle to another party, unless the notice is withdrawn. This provides a simple mechanism by which the arrangement may be concluded if either party does not believe it is in the best interests to continue, and also provides a notice period to allow for any transition (changing websites, etc).

15. Subarticle 3 provides that upon revocation of this Treaty the parties shall stop recognising the area forming the County as a ecological sanctuary of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis and Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited shall stop using the identity of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis in relation to any of its activities, unless otherwise authorised by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis. The use of national symbols in relation to the County is a major component of the arrangement envisioned by this Treaty.

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9. Post-Treaty obligations

16. This article provides that following the revocation of this Treaty, the party shall not use the confidential information declared as such for the purposes of this article unless also agreed by the other parties involved in the production of the material. Along with the use of national symbols, sharing of confidential information will major component of the arrangement.

10. No partnership

17. This article provides that nothing in this Treaty shall be construed as forming a partnership enterprise. This clarifies the intention of the parties in this arrangement that a party is not liable for the acts of the other, even in relation to this Treaty.

Schedule 1. Legislative power of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited in relation to the Ecological County of Urabba

18. This Schedule sets out for the power for Urabba Parks to legislate for the County, as provided by subarticle 6.1. The effect of the provision, combined with this Schedule, is to subject the divisional legislative power to the scrutiny of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis. The ultimate purpose of this arrangement is to ensure that the County is integrated as much as possible within the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis while still acknowledging the ongoing role of Urabba Parks as operator of the County. Urabba Parks has the power to legislate for the County in the following matters:

> (A) Corporate legislative power (not including matters falling in paragraph 122(1)(b) (the governance of matters in which the legislature of the jurisdictional division does not have power to make laws));

(B) in any case with the consent of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis – this allows for the making of laws with mutual consent;

(C) where the legislation so made is of no effect unless within 7 days of its making a certified copy sent to the Grand Duchy

Schedule 1. Legislative power of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited in relation to the Ecological County of Urabba

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of Flandrensis and liable to its disallowance by Grand Duchy of Flandrensis within 30 days of its sending (and legislation same in substance as legislation disallowed in the past 6 months is void) – this allows for the making of laws without pre-approval from the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis by also allowing for their disallowance;

(D) the acceptance of this Treaty and the declaration of Urabba Street Reserve as the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba, the application of laws effective in Urabba Street Reserve at the time of the making of this Treaty in the County, the application of non-statute laws of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division of Urabba Parks subject to legislation, the non-application of an applied or adopted law and the legislative power of the County (in accordance with this Treaty) – this allows for provisions for establishing the County, for the Treaty to come into force in Urabba Parks and for transitional provisions relating to laws;

(E) the requirements for tabling of legislation into the Parliament of Urabba Parks, including any limitation on the remaking of legislation while required to be tabled, disallowed or subject to disallowance – this allows for the provisions relating to parliamentary scrutiny of laws;

(F) powers and functions under applied or adopted laws and allowance for arrangements with Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division for the provision for the exercise of powers and the performance of functions in and in relation to the County under laws in force in the County by officers and employees of the Government of Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division and of authorities of the Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division – this allows for the exercise of the executive power of the County in the absence of authorities established in the jurisdictional division;

(G) .the exercise of the judicial power of the County by persons, courts and tribunals of Urabba Parks or other jurisdictional divisions where no authority established under

Schedule 1. Legislative power of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited in relation to the Ecological County of Urabba

Notes on articles

the law of the County has jurisdiction– this allows for the exercise of the judicial power of the County in the absence of courts and tribunals established in the jurisdictional division;

(H) the representative of Urabba Parks in the County, and performing acts on behalf of Urabba Parks or the representative in the County – this allows for the appointment of a Manager, an Acting Manager and of deputies;

(I) matters relating to the exercise of the executive prerogative of Urabba Parks in relation to the County (not including the adoption of any part of the identity of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis without its consent) – this allows for the exercise of the Enactorial prerogative power in the County, such as the power to grant pardons for offences against the laws of the jurisdictional division or for evidence leading to the condemnation of an offender.



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Minute Paper for the Proprietary Council

Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022

Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act Commencement Proclamation 2022

Recommended for the approval of the Manager-General in Council that he make Regulations in the attached form.

Advocate-General Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited ACN 159 318 859



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Attachments

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- 2 Explanatory Statement to the *Legislation (Exemptions and Other Matters) Regulation 2022*

Notes

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- 2 Each resolution of the Ministers advising the Manager-General in the Proprietary Council is a resolution of the directors of Urabba Parks: see subsection 15(3) of the Constitution.
- 3 The Enactor is acting in place of the Manager-General by virtue of being an Honorary Manager present at the proceedings of Urabba Parks: see the definition of *Manager -General* in subsection 4(1) of the Constitution.
- 4 Advice is taken to be given by the responsible Minister to make this Act if the Houses of the Parliament are vacant in the whole: see paragraph 19(2)(e) of the Constitution.





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Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act Commencement Proclamation 2022

Daniel James Racovolis, Enactor of the Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited, acting with the advice of the Proprietary Council and under item 2 of the table in subsection 2(1) of the *Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022*, fixes 4 September 2022 as the day on which that Act commences.



Signed and Sealed with the

Great Seal of Urabba Parks on

31 August 2022

Daniel James Racovolis

Enactor

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FLANDRENSIAN ECOLOGICAL COUNTY OF URABBA BILL 2022

INTRODUCTORY SPEECH

Urabba Parks is, quite possibly, the first company to sell democracy. And now after 10 years of existence, Urabba Parks is finally starting to join forces with fellow environmental charities to advance the cause of independent parks. As I said in my introductory speech to the Legislation Bill 2022 (now enacted as the *Legislation Act 2022*), I had mentioned that when I first purchased Urabba Street Reserve on 10 August 2011, I had a great vision—to bring power to where it belongs, the people. This Bill brings into force for Urabba Parks the Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba, which I have signed on 31 August 2022. The Treaty intends to grow the worldwide appeal of user-operated independent parks through the declaration of Urabba Street Reserve as an ecological sanctuary of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, under the name Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba. The arrangement does not affect the status of Urabba Parks as an Imvrassian Hegemony.

A lot has changed in my life in the 11 years that I have been associated with Urabba Street Reserve, initially as the owner of the property and now as the owner of the company that owns the property. However, the change that really has mattered in the past decade has been the growing awareness of the need to protect our democracy. The 'end of history' that predominated the 90s and status-consciousness among millennials entering the workforce in the 2000s has given way to recurring pandemics, global heating or the spread of despotism. It is clear that we need new ways of doing things that are sustainable, relevant, inclusive and effective. The creation of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba, along with other ecological sanctuaries run by volunteers, will be a step in that direction.

Just think of what can happen if this system of user-operated independent parks becomes a 'thing.' Although many think the best thing for the federal work for the dole program to be abolished, before that happens Urabba Parks could provide work for the dole placements that give

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people real confidence, becoming the true salvation for those experiencing unemployment. We could produce the politicians, judges and park rangers of the future, we can develop skills, we can fight climate change, we can alleviate poverty, we can bring meaning and belonging to people's lives, we can do a lot of things.

This Bill is not the answer to all the problems the world is facing, far from it. But is an important step in the right direction. By creating the first jurisdictional division of Urabba Parks at our spiritual home at Rankins Springs and promoting it worldwide through the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis will showcase the power of Landcare to be a social and environmental good, empowering people to create a just and sustainable future for all.

Charitable democracy has the potential to bring the changes we need to live in a more peaceful, prosperous and sustainable society. The Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba will serve as a model for what we need to do to sell democracy to the people and save the environment.

Daniel James Racovolis

The Enactor of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited

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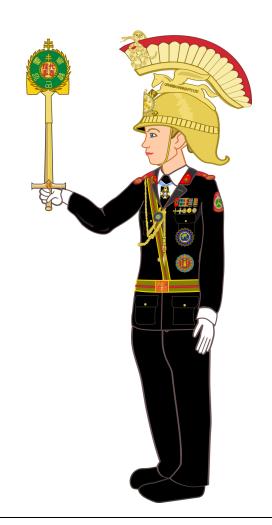
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FLANDRENSIAN ECOLOGICAL COUNTY OF URABBA BILL 2022

Outline

This Bill will implement in Urabba Parks the bilateral Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba (the *Treaty*) with the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, which Urabba Parks had signed on 18 August 2022. The Treaty provides for the formation of an ecological sanctuary of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis (the *County*) at Urabba Street Reserve. This Bill establishes the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba as a territory of Urabba Parks, and provides for the making of legislative Ordinances for the County.

Once established upon the commencement of this Bill as an Act, the County will become Urabba Parks's first jurisdictional division and territory. Being a separate jurisdictional division will allow for the differentiation between matters associated with Urabba Street Reserve and Urabba Parks as a whole. With an ultimate intention to expand operations into other physical spaces as well as online, it is expedient to provide specifically for the government of the County.

Under this Bill, laws for the County are made by an Ordinance, which can be made by the Manager-General in Council, or (subject to delegation) by the Manager of the County with the approval of the responsible Minister. This Bill provides that Ordinances are subject to disallowance by the Corporate Parliament, in addition to being disallowable under the *Legislation Act 2022*. There is also provision for the disallowance of Ordinances by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis under the terms of the Treaty.

In addition to preliminary provisions in Part 1, the provisions relating to the establishment of the County in Part 2 and the legislative power to make Ordinances in Part 3, this Bill deals with other matters relating to the government of the jurisdictional division. These matters include the exercise of the executive power in Part 4, the exercise of the judicial power in Part 5 and matters such as the grant of pardons and remissions and the appointment of the Manager of the County in Part 6.

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STATEMENT OF REASONABLENESS

Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Bill 2022

This Bill, as read on 29 August 2022, is reasonable having regard to the legal and ethical obligations of Urabba Parks.

Overview of the Bill

19. This Bill provides for the establishment of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba as a territory of Urabba Parks and provides for the legislative, executive and judicial functions in relation to the territory. There is also provision for the appointment of the Manager of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba by the Manager-General. Divisional laws take the form of Ordinances, which are made by the Manager-General or the Manager of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba on the advice or the approval of the Minister. Executive and judicial functions are carried out by Corporate authorities and courts or by agencies and courts of other jurisdictional divisions appointed by agreement made by the Minister.

Power to enact Bill

20. Paragraph 122(1)(b)of the Constitution provides Parliament with the power to enact laws "the government of a jurisdictional division where the legislature of the jurisdictional division does not have power to make laws." This allows the Parliament to establish a territory, as a territory legislature could not create itself.

Promotion of rights under the Urabba Parks Bill of Rights

21. Urabba Parks respect in its governance, management and operations human rights within the meaning of section 134 of the Constitution. That constitutional provision defines human rights as being those recognised under section 3 of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011* of the Commonwealth (the 'nationally-recognised human rights').

22. The law proposed by this Bill will allow for the making of Ordinances for the government of the Flandrensian Ecological County of

Urabba, with provision for the publication in the *Gazette* of a notice of the making of an Ordinance. As legislative instruments under the *Legislation Act 2022*, Ordinances are also published on the Corporate Register of Legislation. The Register is subject to technical standards for the publication of legislation, to improve its usability and ensure that it is accessible to the people who rely on older or assistive technology.

23. As such, the Bill is compatible with nationally-recognised human rights such as:

(A) fair trial and fair hearing rights under Article 14 of the International Covenant on Civil And Political Rights (the ICCPR); and

(B) rights of access to information under Article 9 and access to justice under Article 13 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (the CRPD).

Conclusion

The Bill as read on 29 August 2022 is reasonable, having regard to the legal and ethical obligations of Urabba Parks.

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Daniel James Racovolis The Enactor of Urabba Parks Proprietary Limited 29 August 2022

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Preamble

The Bill begins with a preamble, which outlines the background to the Bill and its intentions in establishing the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba, and reads as follows:

WHEREAS the Enactor purchased the Rankins Springs campus of Urabba Parks also known as Urabba Street Reserve on the tenth day of August two thousand eleven and on the ninth day of July two thousand twelve transferred the land to Urabba Parks:

AND WHEREAS since the aforementioned transfer to Urabba Parks of the Rankins Springs campus, Urabba Parks has been seeking ways to further its charitable purposes by seeking to connect with like-minded organisations:

AND WHEREAS in furtherance of its charitable purposes, Urabba Parks and another environmental charity, the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, had on 18 August 2022 signed an agreement known as the Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba which permits Urabba Parks to establish Urabba Street Reserve as an ecological sanctuary under the Constitution of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis:

AND WHEREAS the Parliament of Urabba Parks is willing to establish a jurisdictional division for Urabba Street Reserve known as the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba:

AND WHEREAS by the Constitution it is provided that the Parliament may make laws for the government of a jurisdictional division where the legislature of the jurisdictional division does not have power to legislate:

Part 1—Preliminary

Clause 1: Short title

24. This clause is a formal provision and specifies that the short title of the Act resulting from the enactment of this Bill is the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022.

Clause 2: Commencement

25. This clause provides for the commencement of the Act on a day or days to be fixed by Proclamation. However, if the provisions do not commence within the period of 6 months beginning on the day this Act receives the Enactorial Assent, they commence on the day after the end of that period. It is expected the Manager-General will issue a Proclamation fixing the commencement of the provisions on a single day.

Clause 3: Definitions

26. This clause defines terms related to the Bill, including:

(A) County—the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba to be established by this Bill; and

- (B) Manager—this term includes:
 - (i) the Manager of the County for the time being; and

(ii) the Acting Manager appointed by the Manager-General; and

(C) Ordinance—an Ordinance made under the Act.

Part 2—The Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba

Division 1—Establishment

Clause 4: Proclamation by Manager-General fixing date on which Treaty shall come into operation [see Note 2]

27. This clause provides that the Manager-General may by proclamation fix a date for the coming into force for Urabba Parks of the document known as the *Treaty on Corporation and Establishment of the Ecological County (Sanctuary) of Urabba* (the *Treaty*), agreed to by Urabba Parks and the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis on 18 August 2022.

Clause 5: Establishment of the Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba

28. This clause intends to bring into force article 5 of the Treaty. Subclause (1) declares Urabba Street Reserve is by this Act declared to be an ecological sanctuary under article 1.4 of the Constitution of Grand Duchy of Flandrensis as a territory under the authority of Urabba Parks, under the name of the "Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba".

29. Subclause (2) declares that the County is set aside for environmental charity purposes only, no person has the right of abode in the County.

Division 2—Application of laws

Clause 6: Application of existing law

30. This clause provides that subject to this Act, a principle or rule of common law or equity of Urabba Parks as in force in Urabba Street Reserve made before the commencement of this section is, so far as applicable, in force in the County. Under clause 5 of Part II of Schedule I of the Treaty, Urabba Parks may legislate for the application of laws effective in Urabba Street Reserve at the time of the making of this Treaty in the County.

Clause 7: Ordinance may amend or repeal adopted laws

31. This clause provides a law in force in the County by virtue of section 6 may be amended or repealed by an Ordinance or by a law made under an Ordinance. Under clause 6 of Part II of Schedule I of the Treaty, Urabba Parks may legislate for the application of non-statute laws of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division of Urabba Parks subject to legislation.

Clause 8: Application of Corporate Acts

32. This clause provides that an Act or a provision of an Act (whether passed before or after the commencement of this section) is in force as such in the County except as otherwise provided by that Act or by another Act. Under clause 7 of Part II of Schedule I of the Treaty, Urabba Parks may legislate for the non-application of an applied or adopted law.

Part 3—Legislative power

Clause 9: Ordinances

33. Subclause (1) provides the Manager-General may make Ordinances for the peace, order and good government of the County. An Ordinance is primary legislation of the County. The use of the word 'Ordinance' is based on its use in the *Ashmore and Cartier Islands Acceptance Act 1933* of the Commonwealth.

34. Subclause (2) provides the Manager may not make Ordinances under a delegation made under section 19 unless the Minister consents to the making of the Ordinance. This provision allows for the Minister to retain power over approval of Ordinances when the Manager-General has delegated to the Manager the power to make Ordinances under section 19.

35. Subsection (3) provides that notice of the making of an Ordinance shall be sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis and published in the *Gazette*. The requirement to publish a notice in the *Gazette* is to ensure the general right to information, and the notice sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis satisfies the requirements for Urabba Parks to exercise its legislative rights under clause 3 of Part II of Schedule I of the Treaty, which provides for the power to make Ordinances provided they are sent to the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis and subject to its disallowance.

36. Subsection (4) an Ordinance shall, unless the contrary intention appears in the Ordinance, come into operation on the date of publication of the notice. It is expected that Ordinances come into operation on the day following registration in the Corporate Register of Legislation established under the *Legislation Act 2022*.

Clause 10: Tabling of Ordinances

37. Subclause (1) provides for the disallowance of Ordinances by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis within 6 months of sending. This subclause does not apply to an Ordinance made with the approval of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, and is intended to bring into effect the restriction on the power of Urabba Parks to legislate for the County under clause 6 and Schedule I of the Treaty. Under clause 9 of Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks may also legislate for the requirements for tabling of legislation into the Parliament of Urabba Parks, including any

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limitation on the remaking of legislation while required to be tabled, disallowed or subject to disallowance.

38. Subclause (2) provides the Manager-General may disallow an Ordinance made by the Manager under a delegation made under section 19 within 6 months after the publication of the Ordinance in the *Gazette*, and an Ordinance so disallowed ceases to have effect.

39. Subclause (4) provides that the tabling provisions in subclause (5) apply to an Ordinance unless the Ordinance unless the legislative directors by circular resolution consent to the making of the Ordinance, or the non-application of the tabling provisions in relation to the Ordinance. If the tabling provisions do apply in relation to an Ordinance, it must be laid before each House of the Parliament within 15 sitting days of that House after the notice in the *Gazette*. An Ordinance not tabled in this timeframe ceases to have effect. These requirements are in addition to the requirements for tabling under the *Legislation Act 2022*.

40. Once tabled, an Ordinance may be disallowed a House of the Parliament by a passed resolution passed within 15 sitting days after tabling. Subclause (6) provides that if a motion of disallowance is introduced within 15 sitting days after tabling, and has not been withdrawn, called on or disposed of, the Ordinance is deemed to have been disallowed. Subclause (7) provides that an Ordinance is re-tabled before a House of the Parliament if the House dissolves, expires or prorogues and a notice of a motion to disallow an Ordinance is in place.

41. Subclause (8) provides that the disallowance of an Ordinance has the same effect as a repeal, while subclause (9) clarifies that if an Ordinance that has been disallowed repeals another law, the repealed law is 'revived' as if the repealing Ordinance had not been made. Provisions relating to the disallowance of Ordinances, and the effects thereof, apply equally to parts of Ordinances as they do to entire Ordinances.

Clause 11: Ordinance not to be re-made while required to be tabled

42. This clause voids an Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of an Ordinance that is liable to be tabled or which has been laid before each House of the Parliament in the

past 7 days, unless the Ordinance is made with the approval of each House or the legislative directors by circular resolution.

Clause 12: Ordinance not to be re-made while subject to disallowance

43. This clause voids an Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of an Ordinance that is subject to a notice of a motion of disallowance under clause 10.

Clause 13: Disallowed Ordinance not to be re-made unless resolution rescinded or House approves

44. This clause voids an Ordinance containing a provision being the same in substance as a provision of an Ordinance that has been disallowed or taken to be disallowed under clause 10, except with the rescinding of the resolution or the approval by the disallowing House or in the case of a disallowance by the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis, its approval.

Clause 14: Regulations, rules and by-laws

45. This clause applies the notice and disallowance provisions for Ordinances to regulations, rules and by-laws made under Ordinances.

Part 4—Executive power

Clause 15: Powers and functions under adopted laws

46. This clause provides the Minister may exercise powers and functions under laws having force under clause 6, and may delegate such powers and functions and engage persons to perform those functions on the Minister's behalf. Under clause 10 of Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks has the power to legislate for powers and functions under applied or adopted laws.

Clause 16: Arrangements with Ministers and jurisdictional divisions

47. This clause provides the Minister may enter into arrangements with the appropriate Minister of Urabba Parks or a jurisdictional division for the exercise of powers and functions under laws in force in the County (not just those having force under clause 6). Under clause 11 of

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Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks has the power to allow arrangements with Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division for the provision for the exercise of powers and the performance of functions in and in relation to the County under laws in force in the County by officers and employees of the Government of Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division and of authorities of the Urabba Parks or the jurisdictional division.

Part 5—Judicial power

Clause 17: Courts and tribunals

48. This clause provides in a particular manner, the courts and tribunals of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division appointed by the Minister has jurisdiction in the County, where no court or tribunal of the County has jurisdiction. Under clause 11 of Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks has the power to legislate for the exercise of the judicial power of the County by persons, courts and tribunals of Urabba Parks or other jurisdictional divisions where no authority established under the law of the County has jurisdiction. A court or tribunal of Urabba Parks or another jurisdictional division exercising powers under this clause:

(A) may sit in the County or elsewhere it may lawfully sit; and

(B) has the same practice and procedure as matters relating to its ordinary jurisdiction.

Part 6—Other matters

Clause 18: Grant of pardon, remission etc.

49. Subclause (1) provides the Manager-General, acting with the advice of the Minister may by signed warrant pardon or remit sanctions of offenders. Under clause 14 of Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks has the power to legislate for the executive prerogative of Urabba Parks in relation to the County.

50. Subclause (2) provides the power to pardon in relation to accomplices who gives evidence that leads to the condemnation of the principal offender or any of the principal offenders.

Clause 19: Delegation to Manager

51. Subclause (1) allows for the Manager-General to delegate to the Manager any of the powers of the Manager-General under this Act. Under clause 13 of Part II of Schedule 1 of the Treaty, Urabba Parks has the power to legislate for the representative of Urabba Parks in the County, and performing acts on behalf of Urabba Parks or the representative in the County.

52. Subclause (2) provides the Minister must approve acts done by the Manager under a delegation made under subclause (1).

53. Subclause (3) clarifies that a delegation of a power under this section does not prevent the exercise of the power by the Manager-General.

Clause 20: Appointment of Manager

54. This clause provides that an Ordinance may provide for:

(A) a Manager of the County who shall be appointed by the Manager-General on advice of the Minister, and who shall hold office during the Manager-General's pleasure;

(B) the appointment of a person to exercise the powers of the Manager of the County under the definition of *Manager* in clause 3;

(C) the appointment of a deputy of the Manager who may exercise the powers of the Manager subject to directions given by the Manager, provided the appointment of a deputy under this paragraph or the exercise of any of the powers of the Manager by a deputy appointed under this paragraph does not prevent the exercise of a power by the Manager.

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APPENDIX – EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO THE COMMENCEMENT INSTRUMENT

Minute No. 5 of 2022

Subject Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022

Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act Commencement Proclamation 2022

Subsection 2(1) of the *Flandrensian Ecological County of Urabba Act 2022* (the *Act*) provides that the Act commences on a single day to be fixed by Proclamation. However, if the provisions do not commence within the period of 6 months beginning on the day this Act receives the Enactorial Assent, they commence on the day after the end of that period. The Act received the Enactor's assent on 29 August 2022.

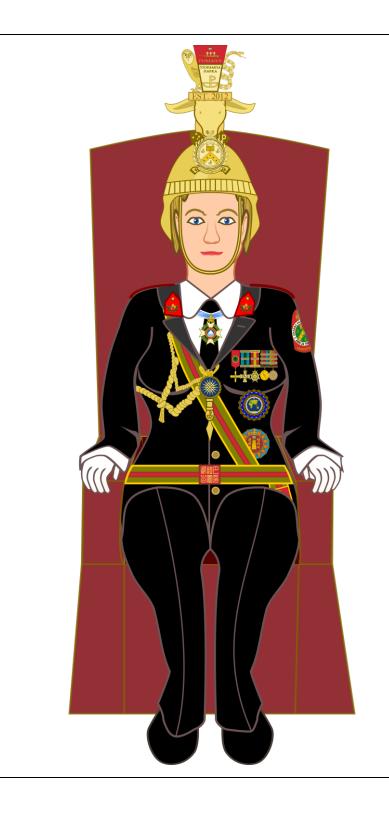
The purpose of the proposed Proclamation is to fix 4 September 2022 as the day on which the Act commences. This day coincides with the 14th anniversary of the establishment of the Grand Duchy of Flandrensis.

The proposed Proclamation would be treated as a notifiable instrument under the *Legislation Act 2022*. The Proclamation repeals upon commencement under section 71 of the *Legislation Act 2022*.

The Minute recommends that the Proclamation be made in the form proposed.

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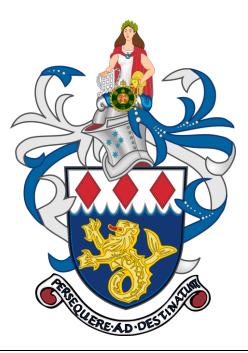
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