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Assumption of the Administration of the Government of New Zealand by the Right Honourable Sir Herbert Richard Churton Wild, Chief Justice

RICHARD WILD, Administrator of the Government

## A PROCLAMATION

Whereas His late Majesty King George V was graciously pleased, by Letters Patent passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, and bearing date at Westminster the 11th day of May 1917, to constitute the office of the Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand: And whereas Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was pleased, by a Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date at Saint James's the 20th day of October 1967, to appoint Sir Arthur Espie Porritt, to be Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand during Her Majesty's pleasure: And whereas His late Majesty King George V was pleased, by a Commission passed under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet, bearing date at Saint James's the 23rd day of July 1917, amongst other things, to appoint the Chief Justice of New Zealand for the time being to administer the Government thereof in the case of the death, incapacity, or removal, or of the departure from New Zealand of the Governor-General appointed under the said Letters Patent, with all and singular the powers and authorities granted by the said Letters Patent: And whereas the said Sir Arthur Espie Porritt departed from New Zealand on leave of absence on the 4th day of May 1970.

Now, therefore, I, Sir Herbert Richard Churton Wild, Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, the Chief Justice of New Zealand, hereby proclaim and declare that I have this day taken the oaths prescribed by the said Letters Patent before the Right Honourable Sir Alfred Kingsley North, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, President of the Court of Appeal, and that I have assumed the administration of the Government of New Zealand under and by virtue of His late Majesty's said Commission.

Given under the hand of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, and issued under the Seal of New Zealand this 4th day of May 1970.

KEITH HOLYOAKE, Prime Minister.