Accession of Her Majesty

FREYBERG, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington, this 8th day of February 1952

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby approve of the Proclamation set out in the Schedule hereto with respect to the accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, and doth direct that the following formalities be observed in connection therewith:-

(1) That the Proclamation be publicly read on the steps of Parliament Buildings at 11.45 a.m. on Monday, 11 February 1952.

(2) That in the case of public buildings, all flags be mast-headed from 11.45 a.m. until sunset on Monday next, and thereafter be at half-mast until after the funeral of His late Majesty.

(3) That, in the case of other than public buildings, and of ships, the observance of the last preceding clause be requested on the part of the public.

(4) That the public be requested to observe a holiday between the hours of 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. on Monday next.

SCHEDULE

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS it hath pleased Almighty God to call to His mercy our late Sovereign Lord King George the Sixth, of blessed and glorious memory, by whose decease the Crown is solely and rightfully come to the High and Mighty Princess Elizabeth Alexandra Mary:

We, therefore, Bernard Cyril, Baron Freyberg, the Governor-General of New Zealand, Keith Jacka Holyoake, Acting Prime Minister of New Zealand, and the Members of the Executive Council, assisted by Members of Parliament, Judges and Magistrates, Ministers of Religion, Chairmen and Members of Local Bodies, and numerous other representative citizens here present, do now hereby, with one voice and consent of tongue and heart, publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty Princess Elizabeth Alexandra Mary is now, by the death of our late Sovereign of happy memory, become Queen Elizabeth the Second, by the grace of God, Queen of this realm and of all her other realms and territories, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith, to whom her lieges do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience, with hearty and humble affection; beseeching God, by whom kings and queens do reign, to bless the Royal Queen Elizabeth the Second with long and happy years to reign over us.

Given at Wellington in New Zealand, this 11th day of February 1952.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN!

T. J. SHEBBARD,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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