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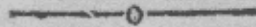
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A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE ACTIONS OF THE SOVEREIGN PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, IN DEPOSING EDWARD JAMES ROYE, FIFTH PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, FOR THE REASONS SET FORTH IN THE MANIFESTO OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT, AND CONFIRMING ALL OF THEIR ACTS AS SET FORTH IN SAID MANIFESTO

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia, in Legislature assembled,—

That all of the acts and proceedings of the Sovereign People of the Republic of Liberia, in deposing Edward James Roye, fifth President of the Republic as aforesaid, on the twenty sixth day of October, A. D., 1871, for his numerous unconstitutional acts, and the establishment of the Provisional Government with its Manifesto, until the arrival of the proper constitutional officer at the capital, are hereby approved, confirmed and declared legal.

Approved December 19. 1871.



A N ACT FOR TEMPORARILY LENGTHENING THE TIME OF THE DECEMBER TERM OF THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS AND COMMON PLEAS FOR MONTSERRADO COUNTY, AND ESPECIALLY EXTENDING THE SITTING OF THE SAME.

Whereas the present state of affairs of this Nation, brought on by the many late unlawful acts of those charged with the faithful performance of public duties, justly demands a thorough, equitable and legal investigation of many cases at law now pending before the Court of Quarter Sessions and Common Pleas for the County of Montserrado; and whereas the present legal prescribed time, two weeks, for the sitting of the aforesaid Court is actually too short for giving attention to those cases; and whereas it is a fundamental principle of our Constitution that every person accused, shall have a speedy and impartial trial;— Therefore,

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia, in Legislature assembled,—

Sec. 1. That from and immediately after the passage of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Judge of the Court of Quarter Sessions and Common Pleas for the County of Montserrado to continue the sitting of the aforesaid Court until all cases now before said Court arising upon presentment or indictment, and all cases which may come before said Court are, so far as to such Court appertains, disposed of.

Sec. 2. It is further enacted, that the provisions of this Act shall be strictly construed, and that this extension of the time of the aforesaid Court shall be only for the one term expressly named, and for the distinct purpose of affording relief to the cases growing out of the present crisis, and for no other.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, that the Judge of said Court be, and he is hereby enjoined and directed to use all due speed and diligence in expediting the business of this specially extended term of the Court of Quarter Sessions and Common Pleas for Montserrado County.

Sec. 4. The President of the Republic be, and he is hereby directed to have this Act immediately proclaimed and enforced.

Sec. 5. Any law to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Approved December 23. 1871.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA TO SECURE THE SERVICE OF A GOOD AND EFFICIENT PHYSICIAN, AND DIRECT HIM TO PROCEED AT ONCE TO MARYLAND COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTING THE PHYSICIAN OF MARYLAND COUNTY IN ARRESTING THE SMALL-POX, NOW RAPIDLY SPREADING IN SAID COUNTY.

Whereas it has been reported to the Legislature that the small-pox is now raging in Maryland County, thereby causing many deaths and much suffering; and whereas the present physician of Maryland County, D. R. Fletcher, M. D., is not capable of extending the necessary medical attention, on account of the great number of people affected by this malignant disease;— therefore,

It is resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of Liberia, in Legislature assembled,—

Sec. 1. That immediately after the passage of this Resolution, His Excellency, the acting President of the Republic of Liberia be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to secure the

