

# **AN ACT**

Of the Parliament of the Bayer Free State
No. 11 of 2022

Be it enacted by this Parliament, That, this legislation shall be cited as the "2022 Governmental Intellectual Property Act".

## Article 1. Governmental Intellectual Property

Governmental intellectual property, known as GIP from this point onwards, shall include any legislation, court document, executive order, graphic design, anthem, flag, emblem, and any other national symbol created by or commissioned for the Government of the Bayer Free State.

## Article 2. Rights to Governmental Intellectual Property

All rights regarding GIP shall be reserved to the Government of the Bayer Free State, with exceptions stated otherwise by this Act, or by any other act enacted by the Parliament of the Bayer Free State.

#### Article 3. Fair Use

The fair use of GIP, including such use by reproduction for purposes such as criticism, comment, expression, news reporting, teaching, scholarship, or research shall be permitted without prior consent by the Government.

### Article 4. GIP Copyright Infringement

An act including the use of, copying of, reproduction of, adapting of, or authoring or commissioning a work which bears resemblance, to a certain extent, to any GIP which is not protected by fair use without the prior consent of the Government of the Bayer Free State shall constitute a copyright infringement of GIP.

## Article 5. Consequences of GIP Copyright Infringement

Any person committing GIP copyright infringement may be tried in a civil trial, and if found liable shall have to compensate appropriately to the Government, and to take any other actions the court deems appropriate to be ordered.

## Article 6. Foreign States Committing GIP Copyright Infringement

The Head of State, the Prime Minister, and Parliament shall be authorized to confront, proceed in a civil trial in an appropriate national or international tribunal against, impose sanctions against, and sever diplomatic relationships with any foreign state committing GIP copyright infringement against the Government of the Bayer Free State as it deems appropriate.

In witness whereof, we have approved and set our hands on this document on this fifth day of the month of April, in the year two thousand and twenty-two, and in the third year of our State.

**Parliament** 

**Head of State**