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SRI BALABHIVURDHI WARDANA SAMITHIYA (INCORPORATION)

(Private Members' Bill)

A

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to incorporate the Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya

To be presented in Parliament by Hon. Buddhika Pathirana, M. P. for Matara District

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An ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SRI BALABHIVURDHI WARDANA SAMITHIYA

WHEREAS an Association called and known as the Preamble Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya has heretofore been established at Walpola in Sri Lanka for the puropse of effectually carrying out its objects and transacting all matters 5 connected with the said Samithiya according to the rules agreed to by its members:

AND WHEREAS the said Samithiya has heretofore successfully carried out and transacted the several objects and matters for which it was established, and has applied to 10 be incorporated and it will be for the public advantage to grant the application:

BE it therefore enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

- 1. This Act may be cited as the Sri Balabhivurdhi Short title 15 Wardana Samithiya (Incorporation) Act, No. of 2021.
- 2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act, Incorporation such and so many persons as now are members of the of the Sri Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya (hereinafter referred Wardana to as "the Samithiya") or shall hereafter be admitted members Samithiya 20 of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body corporate (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") with perpetual succession under the name and style of "the Sri Balabhivurdhi Wardana Samithiya", and by that name may sue and be sued in all courts, with full power and authority to 25 have, and use a common seal and alter the same at its pleasure.

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3. The general objects for which the Corporation is General constituted are hereby declared to be-

objects of the Corporation

- (a) to establish, equip and maintain a pre-school and a library;
- (b) to engage in the dissemination of the Dhamma, 30 internationally;

- (c) to preserve and disseminate the Buddhist Philosophy and the Buddhist way of life;
- (d) to establish friendly relations with other Buddhist organizations in Sri Lanka and abroad;
- (e) to assist financially by granting scholarships or 5 otherwise the voluntary workers and others who are engaged in the attainment of the objects of the Corporation;
- (f) to established and maintain libraries, to subscribe 10 for and issue books, journals, souvenirs and periodicals and to provide such other services as may be deemed desirable for attaining the objects of the Corporation;
- (g) to collaborate or participate, with any other 15 institution or organisation, whether foreign or local, having objects similar to those of the Corporation;
 - (h) to sponsor and conduct conferences, seminars, workshops, group studies and lectures in Sri Lanka and elsewhere in furtherance of the objects of the Corporation;

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- (i) to print, publish and distribute books, journals, leaflets, newspapers and magazines which the Corporation may consider desirable for the promotion and advancement of its objects; and
- (i) to do such other acts, deeds and things as may be 25 necessary, incidental or conducive to the accomplishment of all or any of the objects of the Corporation.
- 4. (1) The management, control and administration of Management 30 the Corporation shall, subject to the rules of the Corporation, of the affairs vest in a governing Council (hereinafter referred to as "the of the Council") consisting of such number of governors elected Corporation from among the members in accordance with the rules of the Corporation.

- (2) The first Council of the Corporation shall be the governing council of the Corporation holding office on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act, and consisting of the members whose names are specified in the 5 schedule hereto.
- 5. The Council shall cause to be kept a register of Register of members in which every person who on the day preceding members the date of commencement of this Act is a member of the Samithiya and every person thereafter duly admitted a 10 member of the Corporation, shall have his name inscribed.

6. Subject to the provisions of this Act, and any other Powers of the written law, the Corporation shall have the power—

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(a) to purchase, acquire, rent, construct and otherwise obtain lands or buildings which may be required for and take the purposes of the Corporation;

Corporation to acquire property, invest funds loans &etc

- (b) to borrow or raise money for the purposes of the Corporation;
- (c) to make, draw, accept, discount, endorse, negotiate, buy, sell and issue bills of exchange, cheques, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments 20 and to open, operate, maintain and close bank accounts:
 - (d) to invest any funds not immediately required for the purposes of the Corporation in such manner as the Council may think fit;
 - (e) to solicit and receive subscriptions, grants, donations and gifts of all kinds;
 - (f) to enter into agreements or contracts with any person company or body of persons;
- (g) to undertake, accept, execute, perform and 30 administer any lawful trusts and conditions affecting any real or personal property;

- (h) to appoint, employ, dismiss or terminate the services of officers and servants of the Corporation, and to pay them such salaries, allowances and gratuities as may be determined by the Corporation;
- 5 (i) to train personnel in Sri Lanka or abroad for the purpose of the Corporation; and
 - (j) to do all other things necessary or expedient for the proper and effective carrying out of the objects of the Corporation.
- 7. (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation, from time to Rules of the 10 time, at any general meeting and by a majority of not less Corporation than two thirds of the members present and voting, to make rules, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, and any other written law for all or any of the following 15 matters :-

- (a) classification of membership, fees payable by each class of member, their admission, withdrawal, expulsion or resignation;
- (b) election of the Council, or vocation of, or removal from office as office bearers and powers, duties and 20 conduct of the Council;
 - (c) appointment, powers, duties, functions and conduct of the various officers, agents and servants of the Corporation;
- (d) the procedure to be observed at and the 25 summoning and holding of meetings of the Council, the Corporation or any sub-committee, thereof filling of vacancies, notices and agenda of such meetings;
- (e) the quilifications and disqualifications of the 30 member thereat:
 - (f) the administration and management of the property of the Corporation; and

- (g) generally for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the accomplishment of its objects.
- (2) The rules of the Foundation in force on the day 5 preceding the date of commencement of this Act shall, in so far as they are not inconsistant with this provisions of this Act or other written law be deemed to be the rules of the Corporation and may be amended, altered, added to or rescinded at a like meeting and in like manner as a rule made 10 under sub-section (1) of this section.
 - (3) the members of the Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.
- 8. (1) The Corporation shall have its own fund and all Fund of the moneys received by way of gift, bequest, donation, Corporation 15 subscription, contribution fees or grants for and on account of the Corporation shall be deposited to the credit of the Corporation in one or more banks as the Council shall determine.

- (2) There shall be paid out of the fund all sums of money 20 to defray any expenditure incurred by the Corporation in the exercise, performance and discharge of its powers, duties and functions under this Act.
- 9. (1) The Council shall cause proper accounts to be Accounts and kept of all the moneys received and expended by the Audits 25 Corporation.

- (2) The accounts of the Corporation shall be examined and audited at least once in every year.
- 10. All debts and liabilities of the Samithiya existing Debts due by on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act, and payable 30 shall be paid and discharged by the Corporation and all debts Samithiya due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to, the Samithiya on that day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

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11. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law to Corporation acquire and hold any property, movable or immovable, upon may hold or by virtue of any instrument of purchase, grant, gift or lease, movable and or upon or by virtue of any testamentary disposition or immovable otherwise, and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act and subject to the rules for the time being of the Corporation, or otherwise for the purposes of and upon the trusts in and subject to the conditions in the relative instrument of disposition with full 10 power (subject always to the provisions of any written law relating to trusts and of the relative instrument or disposition) to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of, encumber or charge the same.

12. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to Seal of the 15 any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of a Corporation member of the Council and the secretary or such other person duly authorised by the Council who shall sign their names on the instrument in token of their presence, and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as 20 a witness.

13. No member of the Corporation shall, for the purpose Limitation of of discharging the debts and liabilities of the Corporation, or Liability of for any other purpose, be liable to make any contribution exceeding the amount of such membership fees as may be 25 due from him to the Corporation.

14. If upon the dissolution of the Corporation there Property remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities remaining on any property whatsoever, such property shall not be distributed among the members of the Corporation, but shall 30 be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to those of the corporation, and which is or are by the rules prohibited from distributing any income or property among its or their members.

dissolution

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15. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or Saving of the affect the rights of the Republic, or any body politic or rights of the corporate, or of any other persons, except such as are mentioned in this Act, and those claiming by, from or under them.

16. In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala text Sinhala and the Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall to prevail in

inconsistency

SCHEDULE [Section—4. (2)]

For the year (2002/2003) Board of Management

prevail.

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