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REPORT OF ROYAL COMMISSION APPOINTED TO INQUIRE INTO AND REPORT UPON CLAIMS PREFERRED BY CERTAIN MAORI CLAIMANTS CONCERNING THE PUKEROA - ORUAWHATA (ROTORUA TOWNSHIP) BLOCK

Laid on the Tables of both Houses of the General Assembly by Command of His Excellency

Royal Commission to Inquire into and Report upon Claims preferred by certain Maori Claimants concerning the Pukeroa-Oruawhata (Rotorua Township) Block

George the Sixth by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland. and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King. Defender of the Faith:

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved Counsellor Sir Michael Myers, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and to Our Trusty and Well-beloved Hanara Tangiawha Reedy, of Ruatoria, Farmer, and Albert Moeller Samuel, of Auckland, Retired: Greeting.

Whereas by the arrangement referred to in the preamble to the Thermal Springs District Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1883, as having been made on or about the 25th day of November, 1880, and as having been confirmed on or about the 20th day of November, 1881, and by the agreement likewise therein referred to as having been made on or about the 25th day of February, 1883, it was, in effect, agreed amongst other things that certain lands adjacent to Lake Rotorua, thereafter known as the Pukeroa-Oruawhata Block, should be vested as therein provided, and be controlled by the Crown and officers of the Crown in the manner and subject to the terms and conditions therein set forth:

And whereas by the Thermal Springs District Act 1881 Amendment Act, 1883, the said arrangement and agreement were confirmed, and it was declared that the said arrangement and agreement should be deemed and taken to have conferred on and given to the Governor all the rights, powers, and authorities specified or mentioned in the Thermal Springs District Act. 1881, in respect of the lands the subject of the said

arrangement: