

I assent.

ALFRED SAVAGE,

Governor.

30th April, 1953.

ORDINANCE No. 9 OF 1953.

AN ORDINANCE further to amend the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance, with respect to the pronouncing and recording of sentence of death on a young person.

[2nd May, 1953.]

A.D. 1953. BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of British Guiana, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short
title.
Cap. 18.
1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1953, and shall be construed and read as one with the Criminal Law (Procedure) Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance, and any Ordinance amending the same.

Amend-
ment of
section 159
of the
Principal
Ordinance.
No. 2 of
1948.
2. Section one hundred and fifty-nine of the Principal Ordinance as amended by section thirteen of the Criminal Law (Procedure) (Amendment) Ordinance, 1948, is hereby further amended by the substitution for the proviso thereto of the following proviso:—

“Provided that sentence of death shall not be pronounced on or recorded against a person convicted of an offence if it appears to the Court that at the time when the offence was committed he was under the age of eighteen years; but in lieu thereof the Court shall sentence him to be detained during Her Majesty’s pleasure; and if so sentenced he shall be liable to be detained in such place and under such conditions as the Governor may direct, and whilst so detained shall be deemed to be in lawful custody.”