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**NINTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA
FIRST SESSION (2006-2007)
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

RESOLUTION NO. 9

WHEREAS The Guyana Fiduciary Oversight Project Final Framework and Guidelines Report, Volume 2, has recommended at component 6 of its recommendation that, 'Parliament should employ its own staff, and the Speaker should appoint the Clerk of the House after consultation with all parties';

AND WHEREAS the same recommendation is contained in the Sir Michael Davies Report, Commonwealth Senior Parliamentary Staff Advisor, entitled 'Needs Assessment Of The Guyana National Assembly';

AND WHEREAS the Government signaled its acceptance of these recommendations in the 2005 Draft Poverty Reduction Report released on the 21st June, 2005;

AND WHEREAS the basis of these recommendations is the need for Parliament to be fully independent of the Executive; that the Clerk has no concerns for his employment position, and in turn the Clerk should become the employer of Staff in the Parliamentary precincts and ensure that they are free of political influence;

RESOLVED,

That a Special Select Committee be appointed to examine this recommendation with a view to advising the National Assembly on the steps to be undertaken by the Government to enable the Clerk to become the employing authority of the Staff of the Parliament Office;

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FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Committee examine the present constitutional arrangement for the appointment of the Clerk and advise the National Assembly whether there is need for a change and what change that should be;

FURTHER RESOLVED,

That the Special Select Committee submit its final report three months after its appointment.

Passed by the National Assembly on 11th January, 2007.

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S.E. ISAACS

Clerk of the National Assembly

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NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**