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

RESOLUTION NO. 22

WHEREAS, scientists have determined that climate change as a result of global warming is irreversible;

AND WHEREAS, climate change will result in significant transformations including sudden shifts in regional weather patterns, melting of glaciers, destruction of ecosystems and sea level rise;

AND WHEREAS, sea level rise coupled with an increase in destructive storms will threaten the existence of small island states and low lying coastal communities;

AND WHEREAS, over 90% of Guyana's population and a vast majority of its agricultural and economic activities are located on the coastal plain which is below current sea level;

AND WHEREAS, given its present demography and economic activities the effects of climate change will have significant impact on Guyana,

RESOLVED.

That this National Assembly acknowledges that climate change will have significant impact on Guyana and notes the establishment and functioning of a broad-based National Climate Committee which terms of reference include to make recommendations on and monitor actions which must be taken to address the situation;

FURTHER RESOLVED,

The National Assembly will through the Natural Resources Sectoral Committee receive and review half-yearly reports from the National Climate Committee and examine the desirability of setting up a National Commission on Climate Change and submit its recommendations in one year.

Passed in the National Assembly on Tuesday, 13th March, 2007.

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