SEVENTH PARLIAMENT OF GUYANA

FIRST SESSION (1998 - 2000)

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLUTION NO. 55

WHEREAS Protocol IX amending the Treaty which established the Caribbean

Community signed at Chaguaramas on 4 July 1973 was signed on March 14 by Eleven (11)

Heads of Government at the Eleventh Inter-Sessional Meeting of the Conference of Heads

of Government of the Caribbean Community held in Saint Kitts and Nevis from March 13-

14, 2000;

AND WHEREAS Protocol IX "Disputes Settlement" was signed by His Excellency

Bharrat Jagdeo, President of Guyana on behalf of the Government of Guyana in Saint Kitts

and Mevis:

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol IX has as its primary objective the promotion of

"peaceful expeditious and effective settlement of disputes in the Community and, in

particular, in the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME) by recourse to the

internationally accepted modes of disputes settlement;

AND WHEREAS the said Protocol allows for the creation of the Caribbean Court of

Justice;

AND WHEREAS Guyana strongly endorses the view that a transparent and

authoritative system of disputes settlement within CARICOM will ultimately enhance the

"economic", social and other forms of activity in the CARICOM Single Market and

Economy (CSME) thereby creating a stable climate for investment;

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the National Assembly hereby agrees to the Secretary General of the

Caribbean Community being advised of Guyana's intention to ratify Protocol IX by

depositing the appropriate Instrument of Ratification.

Passed by the National Assembly on 23rd October, 2000

Clerk of the National Assembly