

PROCLAMATION

by

HIS EXCELLENCY, THE HONOURABLE EMMERSON DAMBUDZO MNANGAGWA, G.C.Z.M., President of Zimbabwe and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of Zimbabwe.

WHEREAS, in terms of section 129(1)(k) and section 159 of the Constitution of Zimbabwe, as read with section 39(1), of the Electoral Act the seats of members of Parliament for Pumula, Nkulumane, Epworth, Glen Norah, Harare Central, Highfield East, Highfield West, Kuwadzana East, Kuwadzana, Mufakose, St Marys, Glen View North, Kambuzuma, Harare East, Dangamvura-Chikanga, Mutasa South, Marondera Central, Marondera East, Murewa South, Chivi South, Mwenezi East, Binga North, Tsholotsho South, Mkoba, Kwekwe, Mbizo, Mberengwa South and Gokwe Central have become vacant by reason of members of the National Assembly having ceased to belong to a political party which they were members when elected to the National Assembly, by reason of the death of the members of the National Assembly and by reason of appointment of a member to another post;

AND WHEREAS, a judge of the High Court sitting in Harare had ordered the Zimbabwe Electoral Commission to cancel the nomination court process for six constituencies (namely Pumula, Nkulumane, Kambuzuma, Harare East, Mutasa South and Mbizo) in respect of which it had been alleged that no vacancies had occurred;

AND WHEREAS, subsequently another judge of the High Court sitting in Harare issued an order setting aside the afore-mentioned order;

AND WHEREAS, due to the lapse of time since the issuance of the second-mentioned order, it is necessary to extend the nomination court process in respect of the six constituencies concerned:

NOW, THEREFORE, under and by virtue of the powers vested in the President as aforesaid, I do, by this proclamation—

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- (a) order new elections for the afore-mentioned Constituencies; and
- (b) fix Friday, 28th of January, 2022, as the date on which the nomination courts shall sit, commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning, at—
 - (i) the Magistrates Court, Tredgold Building, Leopold Takawira Avenue, Bulawayo, for the purpose of receiving nominations of candidates for election as members of the National Assembly Constituencies for Pumula and Nkulumane; and
 - (ii) the Magistrates Court, Abdel Gamal Nasser Road (Rotten Row), Harare, for the purpose of receiving nominations of candidates for election of members of the National Assembly Constituencies for Kambuzuma and Harare East; and
 - (iii) the Magistrates Court, 102–4, Herbert Chitepo (Main Street), Mutare, for the purpose of receiving nominations of candidates for election as a member of the National Assembly for Mutasa South Constituency; and
 - (iv) the Magistrates Court, Emmerson Dambudzo Mnangagwa (Main Street), Gweru, for the purpose of receiving nominations of candidates for election as a member of the National Assembly for Mbizo Constituency; and
- (c) fix Saturday the 26th day of March, 2022, as the day on which a poll shall be taken if a poll becomes necessary in terms of section 46(17)(c) of the Electoral Act [*Chapter 2:13*].

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of Zimbabwe at Harare this twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.

E. D. MNANGAGWA,
President.

By Command of the President.