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(Act 64 of 2020) I Assent,



Martyn Roper Governor

Date: 6th day of January, 2021

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS ACT, 2019 TO DEFINE "ASSISTED SUICIDE" AND "EUTHANASIA" IN LIGHT OF AMENDMENTS MADE TO THE PENAL CODE (2019 REVISION) TO DECRIMINALISE SUICIDE; AND FOR INCIDENTAL AND CONNECTED PURPOSES

ENACTED by the Legislature of the Cayman Islands.

#### Citation and commencement

- 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Health Care Decisions (Amendment) Act, 2020.
  - (2) This Act shall come into force immediately after the coming into force of the *Penal Code (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2020.*

# Amendment of section 2 of the Health Care Decisions Act, 2019 - interpretation

**2**. The *Health Care Decisions Act, 2019* is amended in section 2 by inserting, in the appropriate alphabetical sequence, the following definitions —

" "assisted suicide" means suicide undertaken by a person with the encouragement or assistance of another person; and



"**euthanasia**" means the painless killing by a registered practitioner of a person suffering from an incurable and painful disease or a person in a coma;".

### Passed by the Parliament the 16th day of December, 2020.

Hon. W. McKeeva Bush Speaker

Zena Merren-Chin Clerk of the Parliament

