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WHEREAS, by a Statute of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle made by Our Royal Predecessor, King George IV, bearing date 8th day of May 1827, it is provided that the number of Knights Brethren of the said Order should be sixteen, besides the Sovereign of the Order; We being minded to nominate and appoint Ladies as well as Knights Brethren to the said Order Do Ordain and Declare that the number of Knights Brethren and Ladies of the said Most Ancient and Most Noble Order shall henceforth, and in all time coming, be sixteen; And We are pleased by virtue of the Power inherent in Us as Sovereign of the said Most Ancient and Most Noble Order to Ordain and Declare That when We have caused to be published officially an announcement that a person is to be appointed a Lady of Our said Order she should forthwith assume, and shall be named, written and intitulat with, the distinctive appellation or [illegible] "Lady" of a Lady of the said Order: And We further Ordain and Declare that a Lady of Our said Order may on all occasions use the letters L.T. after her surname or after the [illegible] designation of [illegible] bearing such insignia and enjoying other privileges pertaining and belonging to one of the Ladies of Our said Most Ancient and Most Noble Order.

Given at Our Court at Balmoral Castle under Our Royal Sign Manual and the Seal of Our said Order this first day of October 1987 in the Thirty-sixth year of Our Reign.

BY THE SOVEREIGN'S COMMAND

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Chancellor.

Malcolm Innes of Edingight

Secretary.