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LIZABETH THE SECOND by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen Head of the Commonwealth Defender of the Faith To all and singular Knights Freeholders and all other tenants of the Bishopric of Bath and Wells Greeting Whereas the Episcopal See of Bath and Wells being lately vacant by the resignation of the Right Reverend Peter Hancock Master of Arts lately Bishop thereof the College of Canons of Our Cathedral Church of St Andrew in Wells having desired and likewise obtained Our leave have elected the Right Reverend **Noel Michael Roy Beasley** Bachelor of Science Doctor of Philosophy Bachelor of Arts to be their Bishop and Pastor to which election and person so elected We have granted Our Royal Assent and favour and have received his homage due to Us for the said Bishopric of Bath and Wells And have restored to him the Temporalities of the said Bishopric (except all manors lands tenements and hereditaments with the appurtenances to the said Bishopric lately belonging and appertaining now in Our hands by virtue of a certain Act of Parliament made and provided in the first year of the Reign of Our Royal Predecessor Queen Elizabeth (if any such there may be) and in Our Exchequer remaining of record) Therefore We Command You that to the said elect as your Bishop and Lord in everything as to the said Bishopric appertaining you be obedient and responsible aiding and assisting as it becomes you In Witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent Witness Ourselves at Westminster the fourteenth day of July in the seventy-first year of Our Reign

BY WARRANT UNDER THE QUEEN'S SIGN MANUAL

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