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An Act relating to the Succession to the Sarovian Throne

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E IT ENACTED, by the Office of the Prime Minister of the New

Sarovian Empire and Her Colonies and Dominions, with the advice and consent of the Imperial Parliament thereof, as follows:

Succession in the Constitution

1. The New Sarovian Empire's Constitution clearly outlines the laws for succession to the Imperial Throne of the New Sarovian Empire and Her Colonies and Dominions. The Constitution rights in part:

"Whereas on the occasion of the death, incapability, permanent disappearance or abdication of the current Crown of the New Sarovian Empire... the throne will follow the Act of Succession of 2019 and subsequent amendments which follows an absolute primogeniture succession. The first in line to the throne in the New Sarovian Empire is the first born to the Crown, be it the first born son or daughter. If the first born is unable or refuses to accept the throne, he must renounce his title to the throne and it will pass to the second eldest, and so on. If there are no able children to the Crown at the time of His death, the succession will pass to the eldest surviving sibling of the Crown, who will become the next monarch. If there are no surviving siblings of the Crown, the children of the siblings will be next in line, and follow the same pattern. If there is no eligibility for the monarchical succession, the succession will reboot and start back at Constantine VI Vasa. The Monarch may also invest his chosen heir as the Crown Prince of Kiev, which will always be the next in line for the throne."

This piece of legislation outlines the specifics of the New Sarovian Empire's succession in the event of the death, incapability, disappearance and/or abdication of the Crown, and shall not infringe upon the rights of the Constitution. If an error is found in this legislation that makes it contrary to the Constitution, the Constitution shall take precedence. No deal made by any individual, including the monarch, may supersede this.

Absolute Primogeniture

2. Absolute primogeniture (or known as absolute cognatic primogeniture) is a law in which the eldest child of the sovereign succeeds to the throne, regardless of gender, and females (and their descendants) enjoy the same right of succession as males. In Sarovia, the eldest son or daughter of the King of the Sarovians and Emperor of the Sarovian Commonwealth shall,

unless another individual is invested as the Crown Prince of Kiev, inherit the throne of the New Sarovian Empire and Her Colonies and Dominions upon the demise of the Crown. There are clauses that make this more complicated, however. As per the Constitution, these are:

- I. Are the member of a cadet branch of the family, or a member of any other family separate to their Vasa lineage, unless waived,
 - A. This means any members of Vasa-Nassau, Vasa-Kaine, Vasa-Oxeria, etc, cannot become the Sovereign.
- II. If they have renounced and abdicated the throne already,
 - A. This means that any member who has abdicated shall not become the Sovereign.
- III. If they are the current, former or widowed spouse of a member of the Zor-Mako-Vasa-Nassau family,
 - A. This means consorts are not allowed to be the sovereign.
- IV. If they already hold another sovereign state as their primary title, and refuse to make it junior to the New Sarovian Empire,
 - A. The title of King of the Sarovians and Emperor of the Sarovian Commonwealth shall not come second to any other title.
- V. If they are a bastard child out of a non official Stefanic marriage,
 - A. All children must be registered and come from a proper Stefanic marriage.
- VI. Or if they are a descendent of the Usurper kings lineage.
 - A. Any claimants from the former nobility Marty Vasa-Oxeria, Jacob Vasa-Nassau, Henrique Vasa-Nassau, etc lineage is not to be allowed to be the sovereign.

The Crown Prince of Kiev

3. The Crown Prince of Kiev, or simply the Prince of Kiev, shall be the heir apparent for the throne of the New Sarovian Empire and Her Colonies and Dominions. A written declaration from the sovereign proclaiming the heir apparent as the Crown Prince of Kiev is necessary for the title and role to be valid. The style of the Crown Prince of Kiev in Sarovia, as per the Constitution, shall be: *His Imperial Highness the Crown Prince of Kiev, Lord of Sarholm, Count Palatine of the Nafets and the Grandmaster of the Most Noble Order of the New Sarovian Empire.*

The Crown Prince of Kiev shall hold the title of Lord of Sarholm, and as such be responsible for the overseeing of the city as its Lord-Mayor. The title of Count Palatine of the Nafets is

also bestowed upon the Crown Prince, given the vitality of the river to the Empire. Lastly, the Grandmaster of the Most Noble Order of the New Sarovian Empire shall be invested in the Crown Prince of Kiev. These courtesy titles grant the bearer the four main pillars to provide legitimacy to ensure his succession: the nomination from the sovereign, the keys to the eternal capital, the control of Sarovian borders and the support of the Peerage.

Instrument of Governments and Ascension Council

4. An instrument of government may be written and delivered via edict from either the sovereign or a session of King-in-Council, to be issued as a temporary constitution for a domain under the Sovereign's control. In reference to succession, an instrument of government may be written by the sovereign to change the rules of succession temporarily while the Imperial Parliament devises modifications to the Act of Succession, change the succession of subtitles in the Sarovian monarchy, or separate equal titles long enough for a substantial effect to take place and new legislation to be written.

Where an instrument of government may modify the Act of Succession for a period not longer than one month, the Accession Council formed up of His Imperial Majesty's Privy Council solidifies and confirms the accession of a new Sarovian monarch upon the demise of the Crown. This Accession Council does not pick the monarch of the New Sarovian Empire, as upon the demise of the Crown the heir immediately succeeds the throne. The Accession Council is merely a formality which confirms the identity of the new Sarovian monarch. All members of the Council shall declare via writing their loyalty and support for the new monarch, and task one member of the Council to go to the Sarovian capital and the capitals of Her Colonies and Dominions to read the following statement:

It is with great displeasure and sadness that We, His Imperial Majesty's Peers and Privy Council, confirm the death of His Late Imperial Majesty <name>. We, therefore, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of the New Sarovian Empire within His late Imperial Majesty's Privy Council, with representatives of other Members of the Sarovian Commonwealth, do now hereby with one voice and Consent of Tongue and Heart publish and proclaim that the High and Mighty <new monarch> is now, by the death of our late Sovereign of happy memory, become <regnal name>, by the Grace of Stefan King of the Sarovians and of all His/Her other Realms and Territories, Emperor of the Sarovian Commonwealth, Defender of the Stefanic Faith, to whom His/her lieges do acknowledge all faith and constant obedience with hearty and humble affection, beseeching Stefan by whom Kings and Queens

do reign, to bless the <regnal name> with long and happy years to reign over us.

The Grand Kingdom of the State

5. The Grand Kingdom of the State and the New Sarovian Empire and Her Colonies and Dominions are a part of the Sarovian Commonwealth, headed by the Sarovian Emperor. Through the State Succession Act of 2021, the two thrones are intertwined only to be separated by an instrument of government. The holder of the title of King of the Sarovians shall always be the holder of the Grand King of the State, though in Sarovia the title King of the Sarovians comes first in precedence and in the State the title Grand King of the State comes first in precedence. Upon the demise of the Crown, the two titles shall be inherited by the same person.

Auxiliary Titles

6. The Sarovian sovereign possesses a series of auxiliary titles and claims of which are governed by the respective laws of his/her domains. However, some of these titles shall always be inherited by the same individual. These titles, within New Sarovia, shall be determined by the Imperial Styles Act, but may be changed and modified as the non-Sarovian style of the monarch at his or her request.

Aurean Claimants

7. It is a well known fact in the New Sarovian Empire that the so called "Act of Abdication and Relinquishment", and all other similar documents from an attempted usurper of the Sarovian crown, is legally null. This legislation confirms that Sarovia shall never be ruled by an individual in line for the Aurean throne. In the event of individuals claiming said acts are legitimate, HIM Parliament presents the following pieces of evidence to confirm this.

<u>ONE</u> <u>TWO</u> <u>THREE</u> <u>FOUR</u> <u>FIVE</u>

Jacobite Claimants

8. It is a well known fact that the Jacobite claimants are inherently false and unconstitutional in the New Sarovian Empire. In the Constitution, it is written in Section 35, Succession of the Realms of the Empire:

Whereas while the realms of the Empire are all intact, since the deaths of the King of Reuss and of Nassau, the Emperor assumed all titles, effectively merging the Empire, though he may distribute them according to his wishes. Should he distribute them and they pass, the title shall be once again inherited by the Emperor. No realm may change its succession law without

the amendment of the Constitution, which applies the same succession law to all realms.

This Constitution was agreed upon by Jacob himself, of which all claims fall short immediately. Never was the title of King of Reuss or of Nassau ever granted to the Jacobite claimants after Jacob's abdication. Hawk's retirement as King of Nassau did not grant Jacob that title, nor will it ever.

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