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PUBLIC NOTICE

NON-PROFIT ORGANISATONS (EXTENSION OF PERIOD) ORDER, 2023 FSC/2/PN/026

For the attention of all Non-Profit Organizations (NPOs),

Pursuant to the Non-Profit Organisations (Extension of Period) Order, 2023, NPOs not yet registered under the Non-Profit Organisations Act, 2023 (the "NPO Act"), were granted an extension of time to continue carrying out its activities without registration under the NPO Act until **29**th **February 2024**.

In the circumstance, NPOs not yet registered are hereby reminded of the upcoming deadline to register and to become compliant with the NPO Act.

NPOs must ensure to only utilize the Belize Companies and Corporate Affairs Registry "BCCAR" prescribed forms to apply to become duly registered under the NPO Act. For ease of reference, the registration forms can be accessed <u>here</u>.

If there are any queries in respect to the NPOs or NGOs registration obligations under the NPO Act, please feel free to contact the BCCAR at inquiries@bccar.bz for necessary clarification. The BCCAR can also be contacted via WhatsApp number 501-615-8761 or phone number, 501-223-4701.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

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