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SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF  
SRI LANKA**

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**PAVITHRA WANNIARACHCHI SAHURDA  
FOUNDATION (INCORPORATION)**

**A**

**BILL**

**to incorporate the Pavithra Wanniarachchi Sahurda Foundation**

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*Pavithra Wanniarachchi Sahurda  
Foundation (Incorporation)*

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PAVITHRA WANNIARACHCHI  
SAHURDA FOUNDATION

WHEREAS A Centre called and known as the “Pavithra  
Wanniarachchi Sahurda Foundation” has heretofore been  
formed in Sri Lanka for the purpose of effectually carrying  
out and transacting all objects and matters and connected  
5 with the said foundation according to the rules agreed to by  
the members:

Preamble

AND WHEREAS the said Foundation has heretofore  
successfully carried out and transacted the several objects  
and matters for which it was formed and has applied to be  
10 incorporated and it will be for the public advantage to grant  
such application:

BE it therefore, enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic  
Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Pavithra Wanniarachchi  
15 Sahurda Foundation (Incorporation) Act, No. of 2022.

Short title

2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act,  
such and so many persons as now are members of the “Pavithra  
Wanniarachchi Sahurda Foundation” (hereinafter referred to  
as the “Foundation”) or shall hereafter be admitted as members  
20 of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a corporation  
with perpetual succession, under the name and style “Pavithra  
Wanniarachchi Sahurda Foundation” (hereinafter referred to  
as the “Corporation”) and by that name may sue and be sued,  
and have full power and authority to have and use a common  
25 seal and alter the same at its pleasure.

Incorporation  
of the  
Pavithra  
Wanniarachchi  
Sahurda  
Foundation

3. (1) The general objects for which the Corporation is  
constituted are hereby declared to be—

General  
objects of the  
Corporation

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- 5                    (a) Building integration and cooperation with whom the members gathered with Mrs. Pavithra Wanniarachchi, the active of the leader of the Ratnapura District political camp of Sri Lanka and the sign of the Darmadasa Wanniarachchi, Pavithra Wanniarachchi, contender of genuine political vision, unconditional and dedicated efforts beyond the limits and in order to work with her;
- 10                    (b) Contributing with maximum level of effort and skill belongs to us to work with participatory manner with individually and hormonally in the political, social, economical, cultural and all other common activities with Mrs. Pavithra Wanniarachchi, the leading politician;
- 15                    (c) to promote ethics and culture, create necessary resources and maintain;
- (d) protecting the social values and arranging required programs in order to maintain them;
- 20                    (e) improving religious harmony and providing in need support, sponsorship and providing donations;
- (f) organizing programs in order to enhance cooperation and unity among various communities live in Sri Lanka;
- 25                    (g) executing the activities which were decided by the directors to be implemented for the well being of the people;

30                    **4.** (1) The of the affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the other provisions of this Act and the rules in force for the time being of the corporation be administered by a Committee of Management consisting of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and another two members elected in accordance with such rules.

Management of the Affairs of the Corporation

(2) The founder member of the Foundation, Honourable Pavithra Wanniarachchi shall be the Chairman of the Board of Directors for life thereafter, the family members of the person who was holding office as the Chairman shall become  
5 the next Chairman of the Board of Directors.

(3) The first Committee of Management shall consist of the members of the Governors Board holding office on the day immediately preceding the date of commencement of this Act.

10 **5.** Subject to the provisions of this Act and any other written law, the Corporation shall have the power to do, perform and execute all such acts, matters and things whatsoever as are necessary or desirable for the promotion or furtherance of the objects of the Corporation any one of  
15 them, to open, operate or close bank accounts, to borrow or raise moneys with or without security to receive or collect or accept grants and donations to invest its funds to the Corporation and to engage, employ and dismiss officers and servants required for the carrying out of the objects of the  
20 Corporation.

General  
Power of the  
Corporation

**6.** (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation, from time to time, at any general meeting of the members and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members present to make rules, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any  
25 other written law, on all or any of the following matters:—

Rules of the  
Corporation

(a) the classification of members, and the admission, withdrawal, expulsion of members;

(b) the election of office bearers of the resignation from, vacation of or removal from office of office bearers  
30 and their powers, conduct and duties;

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- (c) the election of the members of the Committees of the Management and its powers, conduct, duties and duration of term of office;
- 5                    (d) the powers, conduct, duties and functions of the various officers agents and servants of the Corporation;
- 10                    (e) the procedure to be observed at and the summoning and holding of meetings of the Committee of Management and of the time, places, notices and agenda of such meetings, the quorum thereof and the conduct of business thereof;
- (f) the administrations and management of the property of the Corporation, the custody of its funds and the maintenance and audit of its accounts: and
- 15                    (g) the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the accomplishment of its objects.

(2) Any rule made by the Corporation may be amended, altered, added to or rescinded at a like meeting and in like manner as a rule made under subsection (1).

20                    (3) Every members of Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.

25                    7. All debts and liabilities of the Corporation on the day preceding the date of commencement of this act, shall be paid and discharge by the Corporation hereby constituted and all debts due to, subscriptions and contributions payable to the Corporation on that day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purpose of this Act.

Debts due by  
and payable  
to the  
Corporation

8. (1) The Corporation shall have its own fund and all moneys heretofore or hereafter to be received by way of gifts, bequest, donation, subscription, contribution, fees or grants for and on account of the Corporation shall be deposited to the credit of the Body Corporate in one or more banks as the Committee of Management shall determine.

Funds of the  
body  
corporation

(2) There shall be paid out of the fund, all sums of money required to defray any expenditure incurred by the Corporation in the exercise, performance and discharge of its power, duties and function under this Act.

9. Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Corporation shall be able and capable in law to acquire and hold any property, movable or immovable which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, grant, lease, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act and be subject to the rules of the Corporation made under Section 06, with power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Corporation  
may hold  
property  
movable and  
immovable

10. If upon the dissolution of the Corporation there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, such property shall not be distributed among the members of the Corporation, but shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having objects similar to those of the Corporation and which, is or are by its or their rules prohibited from distributing any income or property among their members.

Property  
remaining on  
dissolution

11. (1) The financial year of the Corporation shall be the calendar year.

Audit and  
accounts of  
the  
Corporation

(2) The Corporation shall cause proper accounts to be kept of its income and expenditure, assets and liabilities and all other transactions of the Corporation.

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(3) The accounts of the Corporation shall be audited annually by the Auditor General or qualified auditor appointed by the Auditor General in terms of Article 154 of the Constitution.

5 (4) For the purpose of this section “qualified auditor” means—

10 (a) an individual who, being a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, or any other institute established by law, possesses a certificate to practice as an Accountant, issued by the Council of such institute; or

15 (b) a firm of Accountants, each of the resident partners of which, being a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, or any other institute established by law, possesses a certificate to practice as an Accountant, issued by the Council of such institute.

20 **12.** The seal of the Corporation, shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of two members of the Committee of Management, who shall sign their names to the instrument in token of their presence and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person  
25 as a witness. Seal of the Corporation

**13.** Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic or of anybody politic, or corporate or of any other persons. Saving of the rights of the Republic and others

30 **14.** In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail. Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency

