No. 21 of 1962.

An Ordinance to amend the *Holidays Ordinance* 1957–1960.

[Assented to 18th June, 1962.]

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Northern Territory (Administration) Act 1910-1961, as follows:—

Short title

- 1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Holidays* Ordinance 1962.
- (2.) The *Holidays Ordinance* 1957-1960 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
- (3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Holidays Ordinance* 1957-1962.
- 2. After section six of the Principal Ordinance the following section is inserted:—

Saturday banking.

- "6A.—(1.) The Administrator in Council may, by notice in the *Gazette*, declare that, as from a date to be specified in such notice, every Saturday shall be a bank holiday and shall be kept as a close holiday by all banks in the Northern Territory.
- "(2.) No notice mentioned in the last preceding sub-section shall be made until the Administrator in Council is satisfied that arrangements, which will operate generally throughout the Territory, have been made and will be carried out for keeping banks open until—
 - (a) half past five o'clock; or
- (b) such earlier time as, in relation to a particular locality, the Administrator in Council approves, in the afternoon of every Friday which is not a public holiday or half-holiday or a bank holiday or half-holiday.
- "(3.) If, after any notice mentioned in sub-section (1.) of this section has been published in the Gazette, the arrangements referred to in sub-section (2.) of this section have ceased to operate, the Administrator in Council may, by notice in the Gazette, declare that, as from a date to be specified in such notice, Saturday shall cease to be a bank holiday.

"(4.) Where a bank contravenes this section by failing to keep a Saturday as a close holiday, any person who authorized, directed or, except as an employee directed to do so by his employer, in any way aided that contravention shall be guilty of an offence.

Penalty: Twenty pounds.

"(5.) This section does not apply to agencies of savings banks.".

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