

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

CANBERRA THEATRE TRUST (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE 1983

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

No. 3 of 1983

The Canberra Theatre Trust Ordinance 1965 (the Principal Ordinance) established the Canberra Theatre Trust comprising 9 members, and made provision for procedures to be followed at meetings and set out the powers of the Trust.

The Principal Ordinance provided that the number of trustees which constituted a quorum at a meeting was 6. In order to facilitate the workings and deliberations of the Trust it was proposed that the number of members required to constitute a quorum be reduced to 5.

The Trust desired to enter into an arrangement with a commercial ticket selling agency for the sale of tickets, at the Canberra Theatre Centre, for performances and other functions held otherwise than at the Canberra Theatre Centre. Legal advice indicated that such an arrangement would be outside the Trust's powers under the Principal Ordinance.

The Canberra Theatre Trust (Amendment) Ordinance 1983 (the Amending Ordinance) amends the Principal Ordinance by reducing the number of trustees required to constitute a quorum and by extending the Trust's powers to cover the proposed arrangement.

Sections 1 and 2 of the Amending Ordinance deal with interpretation.

Section 3 of the Amending Ordinance amends section 16 of the Principal Ordinance to substitute "5" for "six", thus reducing the number of members required to constitute a quorum, at a meeting of the Trust to 5.

Section 4 of the Amending Ordinance amends Section 17 of the Principal Ordinance to add a new paragraph (aa) which gives the Trust power to act as agent, subject to such charges and conditions as it thinks fit, for a person or organization, for the purpose of collecting charges for admission to, or otherwise in connection with, an entertainment or other function held in a place other than the Canberra Theatre Centre by that person or organization or by another person or organization.

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