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CASSAM UTEEM President of the Republic

CASSAM UTEEM – By Mr CASSAM UTEEM, Grand Commander of the Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean, President of the Republic of Mauritius.  
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WHEREAS by section 7(l) of the Fisheries and Marine Resources Act 1998, it is enacted to declare by Proclamation -

- (a) an area of Mauritius waters including the seabed underlying such waters;
- (b) any land associated with Mauritius waters; or
- (c) any wetland,

to be a Marine Protected Area.

WHEREAS by section 7(2) of the Fisheries and Marine Resources Act 1998, it is enacted that a Marine Protected Area may be designated as-

- (a) a Fishing Reserve;
- (b) a Marine Park; or
- (c) a Marine Reserve.

WHEREAS the Grand Port Fishing Reserve is constituted of two zones, namely Zone A and Zone B.

Zone A of an extent of 1716 ha stretches from Old Grand Port up Blue Bay and is bounded as follows-

The limit starts at a point GPRL 1 having coordinates 1 020 332mE, 980 369mN, behind the Roman Catholic Church at Old Grand Port and runs along an imaginary line in a south easterly direction to a point GPRL2 having coordinates 1021647mE 975 410 mN, being the eastern extremity of Ile aux Aigrettes and from this point the limit extends to a point GPRL3 on the reef having coordinates 1 022179mE, 973406mN.

From the last mentioned point the limit follows the reef crest to a point GPRL4 on the reef having coordinates 1019816mE, 972 129mN and from this last mentioned point the limit runs again along an imaginary line being the northern limit of Blue Bay Marine Park to a point GPRL5 at Pte Corps de Garde having coordinates 1019589mE, 972579mN.

From the last mentioned point the limit follows the High Water Mark along the coast line up to point GPRLI.

Zone B of an extent of 112 ha stretches from Pte Vacoas at La Cambuse up to Ilot Brocus at Le Bouchon and is bounded as follows:

The limit starts from a point GPRL6 at Pte Vacoas having coordinates 1 017 971 mE, 971 350mN and runs along an imaginary line being the southern limit of Blue Bay Marine Park to a point GPRL 7 on the reef having coordinates 1 017 991mE, 971 330mN and from this point the limit follows the reef crest up to point GPRL 8 on the reef having coordinates 1 016 000mE, 969 384mN.

From the last mentioned point the limit follows again an imaginary in a south westerly direction up to point GPRL9 at Le Bouchon have coordinates 1 015 816mE, 969 343mN and from this point the limit follows the High Water Mark along the coast line up to point GPRL6.

WHEREAS the Grand Port Fishing Reserve fulfills the conditions specified in the said Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the said Act, I do hereby proclaim and declare the Grand Port Fishing Reserve to be a Marine Protected Area and designate it as a Fishing Reserve to be known as the Grand Port Fishing Reserve as from 1st June 2000.

Given at State House, Le Reduit, this 20th day of June two thousand.