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COMMONWEALTH NATIONAL SECURITY
(SUPPLEMENTARY) REGULATIONS.

STATE OF VICTORIA.

LOCAL GOVERNING BODIES ELECTIONS ORDER (VICTORIA).

WHEREAS by Regulation 51 of the Commonwealth National Security (Supplementary) Regulations it is provided that notwithstanding anything contained in any law of the State, the Premier of any State, if satisfied that it is desirable so to do in the interests of the defence of the Commonwealth or the more effectual prosecution of the war, may, by Order published in the *Government Gazette* of the State, make provision for or in relation to the postponement for such period as is specified in the Order of any election of any city, municipal, district or shire council or of any other local governing authority in the State:

Now therefore I, Albert Arthur Dunstan, Premier of the State of Victoria, being satisfied that it is desirable so to do in the interests of the defence of the Commonwealth or the more effectual prosecution of the war, do hereby make the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Local Governing Bodies Elections Order (Victoria).
2. In this Order unless inconsistent with the context or subject-matter—
 - “Municipality” includes the city of Melbourne and the city of Geelong.
 - “Ratepayers” includes, in the case of the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and the Mildura Urban Water Trust, occupiers or owners of rateable land.
 - “Waterworks trust” means any waterworks trust constituted under the Water Acts and also the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and the Mildura Urban Water Trust.

3. There shall be no elections by ratepayers of councillors of any municipality or commissioners of any waterworks trust (other than elections to fill extraordinary vacancies) in the year One thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

No municipal or waterworks trust elections by ratepayers to be held in 1942.

Extension of existing terms of office of councillors, and postponement of elections, &c.

4. (1) The respective terms of office of all councillors of municipalities in office at the commencement of this Order shall be extended so that each such councillor shall continue in office until the day to be fixed pursuant to the *Local Government Act 1928* for retirements by effluxion of time in the year following the year in which such councillor would have retired apart from the provisions of this Order, and all elections to fill vacancies arising from retirements of councillors by effluxion of time and the preparation and revision of voters' lists, the printing of voters' rolls and all other matters preliminary to such elections shall be correspondingly postponed.

Extension of period of use of existing voters' rolls.

(2) In every municipality the printed voters' roll signed by the municipal clerk and delivered to the chairman before or on the twelfth day of August One thousand nine hundred and forty-one shall for all purposes be and remain the voters' roll in force for the municipality until a new voters' roll is so signed and delivered before or on the twelfth day of August One thousand nine hundred and forty-three.

Extension of existing terms of office of commissioners where ordinary election due in 1942, and postponement of elections, &c.

5. Where apart from the provisions of this Order any of the commissioners of any waterworks trust elected by ratepayers would have retired from office by effluxion of time during the year One thousand nine hundred and forty-two, then the respective terms of office of all of the commissioners of such waterworks trust elected by ratepayers and in office at the commencement of this Order shall be extended so that each such commissioner shall continue in office until the day fixed by or under the Act governing such trust for retirements by effluxion of time in the year following the year in which such commissioner would have retired apart from the provisions of this Order, and all elections to fill vacancies arising from retirements of commissioners by effluxion of time and the preparation of rolls and all other matters preliminary to such elections shall be correspondingly postponed.

Extension of terms to apply to councillors and commissioners elected to fill extraordinary vacancies.

6. The foregoing extension of the term of office of any councillor or commissioner in office at the commencement of this Order shall apply also to the term of office of any councillor or commissioner elected to fill an extraordinary vacancy in the office of any such first-mentioned councillor or commissioner.

Provision for ascertainment of days for retirement of chairmen and election of new chairmen.

7. For the purposes only of fixing the day for retirement of chairmen of municipalities and waterworks trusts and the day for the election of new chairmen in the year One thousand nine hundred and forty-two—

- (a) an annual election of councillors for all municipalities shall be deemed to be appointed to be held and to be held and candidates shall be deemed to be declared elected thereat on the fourth Thursday in the month of August in the year One thousand nine hundred and forty-two; and
- (b) in the case of the First Mildura Irrigation Trust and the Mildura Urban Water Trust, an ordinary election of commissioners shall be deemed to be held on the last Thursday in the month of June in the year One thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

A. A. DUNSTAN,
Premier of the State of Victoria.

Dated the 26th day of May, 1942.

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