

REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT [CAP 146]

Declaration of Candidature (Amendment) Order No. 19 of 2008

In exercise of the powers conferred upon the Electoral Commission by paragraph 69 (1) (d) of the Representation of the People Act [CAP 146], the Electoral Commission makes the following Order.

1 Amendment

The Representation of the People Act [CAP 146] is amended as set out in the Schedule.

2 Commencement

This Order commences on the day on which it is made.

ELECTORAL COMMISSION CONSEIL DES

Etienne Komber Chairperson

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Member

SCHEDULE AMENDMENTS OF THE REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT [CAP 146]

1 Part 1-Schedule 3 Repeal the Part, substitute

PART 1

(Section 25(1))

DECLARATION OF CANDIDATURE

Γo the	registration officer for the constituency of				
name in capitals) of being a Citizen of Vanuatu and aged years and my occupation being					
••••••		Photograph of Candidate			
HEREE	BY DECLARE				
1.	Myself as a candidate for election to Parliament is a representative for the constituency of;				
2.	That I am registered as a voter in the electoral roll polling district, electoral card ;	for no.			
3.	That I have taken notice and understand the provisions of subsection 23(1) of the Representation of the People Act [CAP 146], that the following persons are not qualified as candidates for election to Parliament:				
	(a) the President of the Republic;				
	(b) judges and magistrates;				
	(c) members of the police force;				

(d)	members of the National Council of Chiefs, any member of the District
` .	Council of Chiefs, Island Council of Chiefs and Area Council of Chiefs,
	who holds the position of chairman, vice-chairman, secretary or treasurer
	of these councils:

- (e) public servants;
- (e) members of the teaching service; and
- (g) members of the Citizenship Commission;
- 4. That I have taken notice and understand the provisions of section 24 of the Representation of the People Act [CAP 146], that a person is eligible to stand as a candidate for election to Parliament if he or she:
 - (a) is not disqualified from voting;
 - (b) has not received a sentence including a suspended sentence of a term or terms of imprisonment which has not ended;
 - (c) is not an undischarged bankrupt;
 - (ca) is a person who is not in default of payment of any rates, charges or other debts due to the Government or a Government agency as defined in the Public Finance and Economic Management Act [CAP 244], for a period exceeding 2 months after the same becomes due;
 - (d) has attained 25 years of age; and
 - (e) is a citizen.
- 5. That I am not disqualified from voting;
- 6. That I am not an undischarged bankrupt;
- 7. That I am not serving a sentence of imprisonment or have not recovered a suspended sentence of imprisonment where the period of suspension has not ended:
- 8. That I am not a person who is in default of payment of any rates, charges or other debts due to the Government or a Government agency.

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Date:	 Signature:	

SPONSORS OF CANDIDATE

1.	NAME:	ADDRESS:	•••••	
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5.	NAME:	ADDRESS:		
	OCCUPATION:	ELECTORAL CARD NO.:		
		SIGNATURE		

NOTES

- 1. The signatures of five sponsors (who must be registered voters in the constituency of the candidate and *not* related to him) are required. See overleaf.
- 2. When this form is completed (including sponsorship details) it must be handed to the registration officer for the constituency, for which the person named as the candidate in his declaration is declaring himself a candidate together with
 - (a) a deposit of VT100,000;
 - (b) 2 passport sized photographs of the candidate (preferably *not* colour photographs); and
 - (c) a drawing on paper of the candidate's personal electoral symbol, unless he is sponsored by a political party with an approved symbol. The symbol should be a simple design in black and white and must not include any words.