CHAPTER 6

An Act of Consent Respecting the Adoption of the British Columbia-Yukon-Northwest Territories Boundary

[Assented to 23rd March, 1967.]

Preamble.

HEREAS by Imperial Statute dated the twenty-eight day of July, 1863. the north boundary of the Colony of British Columbia was fixed as the sixtieth parallel of north latitude between the eastern and western boundaries of the Colony:

And whereas the legal description of the boundaries of British Columbia as defined by sections 7 and 8 of the Imperial Act of 1866 (29-30 Vict., c. 67) remained unaltered in 1871 when the Colony of British Columbia became a Province of the Dominion of Canada:

And whereas section 14 of the Act to Amend the Yukon Territory Act, assented to on the twenty-third day of May, 1901, defined the said territory as bounded on the south, in part, by the Province of British Columbia:

And whereas the district of Mackenzie, Northwest Territories, is described in Order No. 655 of the Privy Council of Canada, dated the sixteenth day of March, 1908, as being bounded on the south by the sixtieth degree of north latitude:

And whereas that portion of the boundary between British Columbia and the Yukon Territory from Teslin Lake west to the westernmost crossing of the Tatshenshini River was surveyed and marked on the ground by the Department of the Interior of Canada in the years from 1899 to and including 1908:

And whereas, in order to continue the survey and demarcation of the boundary between British Columbia, the Yukon, and the Northwest Territories, a Commission to undertake the same and designated the "British Columbia-Yukon-Northwest Territories Boundary Commission" was appointed and authorized by Order No. 5355 of the Privy Council of Canada, dated the fifth day of July, 1943, and by Order No. 1015 of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, dated the seventcenth day of July, 1943, and further by Orders of the Privy Council of Canada numbered respectively 4895, dated the twenty-eighth day of November, 1946; 3074, dated the eighth day of July, 1948; 2616, dated the sixth day of May, 1952; and 1954-706, dated the thirteenth day of May, 1954, as required for a continuous succession of Commissioners:

And whereas the said Boundary Commission in the years from 1943 to and including 1959 caused the survey and demarcation of the remainder of the said boundary, except the westernmost thirty-eight miles, more or less, to be completed, and has caused the same together with that portion

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of the boundary surveyed by the Department of the Interior of Canada during 1899 to and including 1908 to be duly shown on thirty-six mapsheets entitled "British Columbia and the Yukon and the Northwest Territories Boundary," and signed by the Commissioners, which map-sheets have been printed and copies thereof deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General of this Province:

And whereas it is expedient that the lines surveyed and marked as aforesaid by the Department of the Interior and the British Columbia-Yukon-Northwest Territories Boundary Commission should be established as the boundary between this Province and the said Yukon and Northwest Territories:

And whereas by section 3 of the British North America Act, 1871, it was enacted that the Parliament of the Dominion of Canada may from time to time, with the consent of the Legislature of any Province of the Dominion, increase, diminish, or otherwise alter the limits of that Province upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the said Legislature, and may, with the like consent, make provision respecting the effect and operation of any such increase or diminution or alteration of territory in relation to any Province affected thereby:

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and cousent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the British Columbia-Yukon-Northwest Territories Boundaries Act, 1967.

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2. The Legislature of the Province of British Columbia consents that the Parliament of the Government of Canada do declare the line surveyed, marked, and shown in the manner referred to in the preamble to be the boundary-line between this Province and the Yukon and the Northwest Territories, whether or not the same increases, diminishes, or otherwise alters the territory of this Province.

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