[LEGAL NOTICE NO. 38]

BIOSECURITY ACT 2008

Declaration of Biosecurity Emergency Areas for Bovine Tuberculosis (Mycobacterium bovis)

IN exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 77 of the Biosecurity Act 2008, with the advice of the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji and in consultation with the National Disaster Management Council, I hereby declare the whole of Fiji as a biosecurity emergency area for Bovine Tuberculosis (*Mycobacterium bovis*).

This Declaration is in force for a period of 6 months from the date of its publication in the Gazette.

Any movement of cattle and calves within Fiji is strictly prohibited unless the Biosecurity Authority of Fiji provides prior authorisation for the movement.

Pursuant to sections 79(3) and 94 of the Biosecurity Act 2008, any person who contravenes any direction made pursuant to this Declaration commits an offence and is liable to the penalties prescribed under Schedule 5 to the Biosecurity Act 2008.

Dated this 26th day of April 2023.

S. L. RABUKA Prime Minister and Minister for Public Enterprises