

## REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MONROVIA, LIBERIA

## A PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, An Act to repeal An Act to Amend Section 1 of An Act fixing the Day for the Annual Adjournment of the Legislature of the Republic of Liberia, and to establish in lieu thereto An Act Setting the Calendar of Adjournment for the Legislature, provides at Section 2, Second Adjournment (Second Constituency visit/break), that the Second Constituency visit/break shall commence not later than the third Friday of July of each year and end on the second Friday of October of each year;

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with the aforementioned Act, the Second Regular Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature of the Republic of Liberia adjourned on Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024 to commence its Second Constituency visit/break;

**WHEREAS**, there are time-bound critical national issues including the Proposed Recast Budget, which must be resolved as a matter of urgency and cannot await the return of the Legislature in October 2024;

WHEREAS, Article 32(b) of the Constitution of the Republic of Liberia provides that the President shall, on his own initiative or upon receipt of a certificate signed by at least one fourth of the total membership of each House, and by proclamation, extend a regular session of the Legislature beyond the date for adjournment or call a special or extraordinary session of that body to discuss or act upon matters of national emergency and concern. When the extension or call is at the request of the Legislature, the Proclamation shall be issued not later than forty-eight hours after receipt of the certificate by the President;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Article 32 (b) of the Constitution of this Republic, the President has, upon receipt of a certificate signed by at least one fourth of the total membership of each House, called a Special Session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature for a period of three (3) weeks, commencing Thursday, August 29, 2024, and ending Thursday, September 19, 2024, to discuss or act upon critical national issues, amongst which is the Recast Budget of the Republic of Liberia.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH NYUMA BOAKAI, SR.** President of the Republic of Liberia, by virtue of the Authority in me vested, do hereby issue this Proclamation calling the 55<sup>th</sup> Legislature to a Special Session for a period of three (3) weeks, commencing **Thursday, August 29, 2024,** and ending **Thursday, September 19, 2024**.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, IN THE CITY OF MONROVIA, THIS  $26^{th}$  DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 2024, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, AND OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE REPUBLIC, THE  $177^{TH}$ 

JOSEPH NYUMA BOAKAI, SR.
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

BY ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT

GABRIEL H. SALEE

ACTING MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS