



Legislative Assembly of the Cayman Islands

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION NO. 1/2020-2021

Protection of Marine Environment/Shoreline

WHEREAS the area along the OPY area of the George Town waterfront commonly known as “Red Spot” has been used as an outdoor fish market for decades by local fishermen to clean and sell their daily catch to locals, residents and visitors alike;

AND WHEREAS this activity has become an integral part of the Cayman culture and should be preserved for all to enjoy;

AND WHEREAS in recent months there has been disagreement between the fishermen and the ownership of the property on occupancy thereof;

AND WHEREAS the fishermen have petitioned government to assist with brokering an agreement between the fishermen and the ownership of the property to ensure this area remains a part of the cultural landscape and secure their livelihood;

AND WHEREAS this property does not have any realistic developmental value because of its size and because of the applicable setback requirements;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Government considers exercising its authority under the relevant legislation to enforce and defend any and all existing prescriptive rights enjoyed by the public or alternatively to compulsorily acquire the said property for the public use in the interest of cultural value and for the purpose of preservation of a long established activity by members of the public.

Moved by:

Hon V Arden McLean, JP, MLA
Leader of the Opposition
Elected Member for East End

Seconded by:

Mr Anthony S Eden, OBE, (Ret.) JP, MLA
Elected Member for Savannah

Received in the Office of the Clerk this 26th day of November, 2020.

Rejected by the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly this 10th day of December , 2020.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.