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By His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the Name and on the Behalf of His Majesty,

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, P.R.

7HEREAS We have thought fit to order that certain pieces of gold money should be coined, which should be called " sovereigns or twenty shilling pieces," each of which should be of the value of twenty shillings, and that each piece should be of the weight of five pennyweights three grains 2,740 troy weight of standard gold, according to the weights approved of and confirmed by Us in Council, in pursuance of an Act made in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled " An Act for regulating and ascertaining the weights to be made use of in weighing the gold and silver coin of this kingdon;" and We have further thought fit to order that every such piece of gold money, so ordered to be coined as aforesaid, shall have for the observe impression the head of His Majesty, with the inscription "Georgius III, D. G: Britanniar. Rex. F. D." and the date of the year; and for the reverse the image of St. George armed sitting on horseback encountering the dragon with a spear, the said device being placed within the enobled Garter, bearing the motto " Honi soit qui mal y pense," with a newly invented graining on the edge of the piece: and whereas pieces of gold money of the above description have been coincd at His Majesty's Mint, and will be coined there, in pursuance of Orders which We have given for that

the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, thought fit to issue this Proclamation; and We do hereby, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, ordain, declare, and command, that the said pieces of gold money so coined, and to be coined as aforesaid, shall be current and lawful money of the kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and shall be called "sovereigns or twenty shilling pieces," and shall pass and be received as current and lawful money of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and every of such pieces shall pass and be received as of the value of twenty shillings of lawful money of Great Britain and Ireland in all payments whatsoever.

Given at the Court at Carlton-House, the first day of July one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, in the fifty-seventh year of His Majesty's reign.

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