## An Ordinance relating to the Office of the Public Trustee of the Northern Territory.

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Public Trustee Ordi- short title. nance 1920.\*
- 2. Sections seven, eleven and twelve of the Administration Certain and Probate Act 1891 of the State of South Australia shall cease provisions of South to apply to the Northern Territory.

Australian law to cease to apply.

3—(1.) The Administrator may appoint an officer to be Appointment of the Public Trustee for the Northern Territory, and may require for the Northern that officer, before entering upon his office, to give security, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, for the collection and due payment of, and accounting for, all real and personal property which comes to the hands of that officer.

Territory.

- (2.) The officer holding the office of Public Trustee for the Northern Territory at the date of the commencement of this Ordinance shall be deemed to have been appointed under this Ordinance.
- 4. The officer so appointed shall, in relation to the Northern Powers and Territory, perform such duties and have and exercise such duties of Public Trustee. powers and immunities, as were performed, had or exercised by the Public Trustee of South Australia in that State immediately prior to the transfer of the Northern Territory to the Commonwealth.

<sup>\*</sup> No. 8, 1920; notified in Commonwealth Gazette and commenced on 28th October, 1920,

An Ordinance to validate the levying of certain rates.

WHEREAS by section one hundred and fifty-three of the Local Government Ordinance 1954-1960 it is provided, amongst other things, that the town clerk of a municipality shall, within twenty-one days from and including the date upon which the council of the municipality declares a rate, give public notice of the resolution by which the rate is declared and of the place at which, and the times within which, the rate book may be inspected:

AND WHEREAS by section one hundred and fifty-five of the Local Government Ordinance 1954-1960 it is provided that before a council declares a rate it shall cause estimates to be made of the income and expenditure of the fund to which the rate relates and give public notice of those estimates and that a council shall not declare a rate until at least ten days after the last date upon which the public notice of the estimates is published:

AND WHEREAS by section one hundred and fifty-six of the Local Government Ordinance 1954-1960 it is provided that a rate declared under that Ordinance applies for the year commencing on the first day of July last preceding the declaration of that rate and shall be levied by the clerk serving a rate notice in the prescribed form on the person who, under that Ordinance, is liable for payment of the rate and that a rate notice may be served by post or personally or, where the name or the address of the person liable for payment of the rate is not known, by notice in the Gazette:

AND WHEREAS on the thirtieth day of August, 1957, the twentieth day of August, 1958, and the seventeenth day of August, 1959, the council of the municipality of Darwin agreed to resolutions purporting to declare rates under the *Local Government Ordinance*, 1954-1960:

AND WHEREAS, in relation to those resolutions, the provisions of sections one hundred and fifty-three and one hundred and fifty-five of the *Local Government Ordinance* 1954-1960 were not complied with:

AND WHEREAS the town clerk of the municipality of Darwin, within one month of the respective dates of those resolutions, served notices purporting to be rate notices as if the provisions

<sup>\*</sup> No. 2, 1960; assented to by Administrator and commenced on 30th June, 1960.