ACT 3

# **COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA**

ACT No. 3 OF 2020.

I assent



## **CHARLES A. SAVARIN**

President

19th February, 2020.

# AN ACT TO AMEND THE INCOME TAX ACT, CHAPTER 67:01.

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Dominica as follows:

(Gazetted 20th February, 2020.)

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the –

Short title and commencement.

INCOME TAX (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020.

(2) This Act is deemed to have come into operation on the 1st day of January, 2020.

Interpretation. Chap. 67:01.

10

2. In this Act the Income Tax Act is referred to as "the Act".

Repeal and replacement of section 48A.

**3.** Section 48A of the Act is repealed and replaced as follows:

"48A. A resident individual shall be entitled to a deduction in respect of any amount paid during the basis period for a year of assessment by way of interest on a mortgage or loan in respect of the acquisition of or improvements to two owner occupied residential properties, but the deduction allowable for any year of assessment in respect of the expenditure shall not exceed –

- (a) thirty thousand dollars on the first acquired occupied residential property; and
- (b) fifteen thousand dollars on the second acquired occupied residential property.".

Amendment of section 61.

**4.** Section 61 of the Act is amended by inserting the following new subsection (3) –

"(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1), tax shall be charged for each year of assessment on the residential rental income of an individual at the rate specified in the Fifth Schedule after allowing for deduction of interest expenses related to the property and property insurance."

11

5. The Fifth Schedule to the Act is amended by inserting the following new paragraph 3-

Amendment of the Fifth Schedule.

"3. 20% on the net residential rental income of an individual.".

Passed in the House of Assembly this 11th day of February, 2020.

#### **DANIEL JAMES**

Clerk of the House of Assembly

### **DOMINICA**