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Pursuant to Article 89 of the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, I hereby issue the

DECISION

PROMULGATING THE ACT ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT ON LOCAL ELECTIONS

I hereby promulgate the Act on Amendments to the Act on Local Elections, passed by the Croatian Parliament at its session on 7 April 2020.

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> The President of the Republic of Croatia **Zoran Milanović,** m.p.

ACT

ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ACT ON LOCAL ELECTIONS

Article 1

In Article 6 of the Act on Local Elections (Official Gazette 144/12, 121/16 and 98/19), after paragraph 2, a new paragraph 3 is added which reads:

"(3) In the event of the occurrence of special circumstances involving an event or a particular condition that could not have been anticipated and that could not have been influenced, currently posing a threat to the legal order, the lives, health or safety of the population and property of greater value, the Government of the Republic of Croatia may postpone calling early elections, or repeal the decision on calling early elections until after the special circumstances have ceased to exist."

In the former paragraph 3, which becomes paragraph 4, after the word: "election", the words: "and the decision on repealing the decision on calling early elections" are added, the words: "shall be sent" are replaced by other Croatian words, with no relevance to the English translation and the words: "it is rendered" are replaced by the words: "they are rendered".

Article 2

In Article 7, after paragraph 5, a new paragraph 6 is added which reads:

"(6) By way of derogation from the deadlines prescribed by paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this Article, in the event of the occurrence of special circumstances referred to in Article 6, paragraph 3 of this Act, early elections shall be held after the special circumstances have ceased to exist, and at the latest within 90 days from the day such circumstances ceased to exist.".

In the former paragraph 6, which becomes paragraph 7, the words: "4 and 5" are replaced by the words: "4, 5 and 6".

The former paragraph 7 becomes paragraph 8.

Article 3

This Act shall enter into force on the first day after the day of its publication in the Official Gazette.

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The President of the Croatian Parliament **Gordan Jandroković,** m. p.