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THE STATES assembled on Monday, 8th May 1995 at 2.15 p.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Philip Martin Bailhache, Esquire

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Marshal Sir John Sutton, K.C.B., was present.

All Members were present with the exception of -

Senator Nigel Lewis Quérée - ill. Senator Vernon Amy Tomes - out of the Island.

Prayers

50th Anniversary of the Liberation - loyal address

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Senator Reginald Robert Jeune, agreed that an address in the following terms should be transmitted to Her Majesty The Queen to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the Liberation of the Island -

``TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

THE LOYAL AND DUTIFUL ADDRESS OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF JERSEY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY.

We, the States of the Island of Jersey, in

special Session assembled, beg leave to offer to Your Majesty our loyal greetings on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Liberation of the Island.

On this special occasion we remember with particular pride and gratitude the gracious message which your late father, His Majesty King George VI, sent to the people of the Channel Islands on 10th May, 1945, welcoming them on their restoration to freedom and to their rightful place with the free nations of the World. We rejoice that we have been able to build upon the foundation of the freedom thus restored and to enjoy during the past fifty years the privileges of our ancient association with the Crown. In honouring those who fought half a century ago for the cause of freedom we express our hope that in the conduct of our affairs we may demonstrate a spirit of tolerance and play our part in serving the cause of peace and reconciliation amongst all peoples.

We rejoice in the fact that our loyalty to the Crown remains undimmed and that Your Majesty is to be represented at our celebrations on this anniversary by His Royal Highness, The Prince of Wales. We take particular pleasure in being able on this special occasion to renew to Your Majesty the continued allegiance and devotion of the States and People of Jersey to Your Majesty's Throne and Person."

Liberation tablet: acceptance of 50th anniversary gift from La Société Jersiaise

The Bailiff informed the Assembly that the gift from La Société Jersiaise of a stone tablet commemorating the liberation of the Island, previously accepted by the States, had now been installed. Members expressed their appreciation of the gift.

THE STATES then adjourned.

G.H.C. COPPOCK

Greffier of the States.