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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 13th March 2015 and assented to by the President on 21st April 2015:—

COMMUNITY DISPUTES RESOLUTION ACT 2015

(No. 7 of 2015)

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I assent.



TONY TAN KENG YAM,
President.
21st April 2015.

An Act to facilitate the resolution of community disputes by providing for a statutory tort for community disputes and for the establishment of Community Disputes Resolution Tribunals to deal with such disputes, and for matters connected therewith, and to make consequential and related amendments to certain other written laws.

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

PART 1
PRELIMINARY

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Community Disputes Resolution Act 2015 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

General interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“claim” includes a counterclaim;

“Community Disputes Resolution Tribunal” or “tribunal” means a State Court designated under section 14 as a Community Disputes Resolution Tribunal;

“Community Mediation Centre” means a Community Mediation Centre established under section 3 of the Community Mediation Centres Act (Cap. 49A);

“Registrar” means the registrar of the State Courts appointed under section 12 of the State Courts Act (Cap. 321) and includes a deputy registrar appointed under that section;

“Registry” means the Registry of the State Courts.

PART 2

TORT OF INTERFERENCE WITH ENJOYMENT OR USE
OF PLACE OF RESIDENCE

Interpretation of this Part

3. In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires —

“court” means a court of competent jurisdiction and includes a Community Disputes Resolution Tribunal;

“exclusion order” means an order made under section 9(2) excluding a contravening party (within the meaning of that section) from his or her place of residence;