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An Act to amend the Jurong Town Corporation Act (Chapter 209 of the Revised Edition).

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

Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Jurong Town Corporation (Amendment) Act, 1980, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

Amendment of section 2

- **2.** Section 2 of the Jurong Town Corporation Act (hereinafter in this Act called the principal Act) is amended
 - (a) by inserting, immediately before the definition of "Chairman", the following definition:—
 - ""authorised occupier" means a person who is named in an application made to the Corporation as the person who intends to reside in the flat, house or building sold or to be sold by the Corporation under Part IV of this Act or any person who is authorised in writing by the Corporation to reside therein;";
 - (b) by inserting, immediately after the definition of "Chairman", the following definition:—
 - ""commercial property" means any flat, house or building or any part thereof which is permitted to be used pursuant to the Planning Act (Cap. 279) or any other written law for the

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purpose of carrying on any business or which is lawfully so used;"; and

(c) by deleting the full-stop at the end of the definition of "owner" and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following definition:—

""Part" means Part of this Act.".

Repeal and re-enactment of section 30

3. Section 30 of the principal Act is repealed and the following substituted therefor: —

"Special provisions relating to the sale of land by the Corporation

- **30.** For the purposes of registration of an assurance relating to the sale by the Corporation of any land, the mortgage of such land in favour of the Corporation or the reconveyance or discharge of such mortgage
 - (a) in the case of land registered under the provisions of the Registration of Deeds Act (Cap. 281), section 12 of that Act shall not apply; and
 - (b) in the case of land registered under the provisions of the Land Titles Act (Cap. 276) where a solicitor is not employed by the Corporation, a certificate of an officer authorised in writing in that behalf by the Corporation shall be sufficient for the purposes of section 50 of that Act.".

New section 38A

4. The principal Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 38, the following section: —

"Special provisions relating to the sale of flat, house or building

- **38A.**—(1) Where
 - (a) a flat is sold by the Corporation to any person under the provisions of this Part; or
 - (b) any estate or interest in such flat is
 - (i) subsequently transferred by or to any person with the written consent of the Corporation; or

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(ii) surrendered to the Corporation,

and a solicitor is not employed by such person to act for him in the transaction, the Corporation may by its duly authorised officer act for such person.

- (2) Where the Corporation acts for such person as is mentioned in subsection (1) of this section, then for the purposes of the registration of any instrument relating to the sale of the flat or the aforesaid transaction in respect of the flat
 - (a) in the case of an instrument which is required to be registered under the Registration of Deeds Act (Cap. 281), section 12 of that Act shall not apply if a duly authorised officer of the Corporation certifies that such flat has been sold under the provisions of this Part; and
 - (b) in the case of an instrument which is required to be registered under the provisions of the Land Titles Act (Cap. 276), a certificate of an officer of the Corporation duly authorised by the Corporation to act for such person mentioned in subsection (1) of this section shall be sufficient for the purposes of subsection (4) of section 50 of that Act.
 - (3) For the purposes of this section
 - "flat" means any flat, house or other building sold by the Corporation under the provisions of this Part;
 - "transfer", with reference to a flat, means the conveyance, sale, purchase, assignment, mortgage, charge or the disposal in any manner of any estate or interest in a flat and includes a discharge of a mortgage, or a reconveyance, or the devolution of the rights of a deceased owner of a flat to another person, and "is transferred" shall be construed accordingly.
- (4) Section 35 of the Legal Profession Act (Cap. 217) shall not apply to any officer of the Corporation acting for any party to the transactions referred to in subsection (1) of this section."

Amendment of section 39

- 5. Section 39 of the principal Act is amended
 - (a) by deleting paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and substituting the following:—
 - "(b) has, at any time within thirty months immediately prior to the date of making an application to the Corporation to purchase the same, or between the

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