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I, CHARLES FLANAGAN, Minister for Justice and Equality, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 5(2) of the Blasphemy (Abolition of Offences and Related Matters) Act 2019 (No. 43 of 2019), hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Blasphemy (Abolition of Offences and Related Matters) Act 2019 (Commencement) Order 2020.

2. The 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020 is appointed as the day on which the Blasphemy (Abolition of Offences and Related Matters) Act 2019 (No. 43 of 2019) shall come into operation.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 16 January, 2020.

CHARLES FLANAGAN, Minister for Justice and Equality.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

## (This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

This Order appoints 17 January 2020 as the date on which the Blasphemy (Abolition of Offences and Related Matters) Act 2019 comes into operation.

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