

An Ordinance for the Reservation of a Residential Area in the Hill District.



F. H. MAY,

Officer Administering the Government.

[29th April, 1904.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :—

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Hill District Reservation Ordinance.

Hill District defined. 2. For the purposes of this Ordinance the expression “the Hill District” means all that area in the Island of Hongkong situated above the 788 feet contour and to the west of a line drawn in a north and south direction through Middle or Cemetery Gap including the hills known as Mount Cameron, Mount Gough, Mount Kellett and Victoria Peak.

Land or houses in Hill District not to be let for purposes of residence by Chinese. 3. It shall not be lawful (save in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance) for any owner, lessee, tenant or occupier of any land or building within the Hill District to let such land or building or any part thereof for the purpose of residence by any but non-Chinese or to permit any but non-Chinese to reside on or in such land or building.

Power as to exemption. 4. It shall be lawful for the Governor-in-Council to exempt any Chinese from the operation of this Ordinance on such terms as the Governor-in-Council shall think fit.

Application of Ordinance. 5. This Ordinance shall not apply to servants of the residents in the Hill District living on the premises of their employers, to licensed chair coolies and jimricksha coolies plying for hire in such District, to contractors or labourers temporarily residing and actually employed in such District, to inmates of hotels or hospitals in such District, or to visitors at the house of any resident in the said District.

Contravention of Ordinance may be restrained by injunction. 6. If it be made to appear to the Supreme Court that anything has been or is being done by any person in violation or contravention of this Ordinance it shall be lawful for such Court to restrain such person by injunction from further continuing such violation or contravention of this Ordinance.

Suspending clause. 7. This Ordinance shall not come into operation unless and until the Governor notifies by Proclamation in the Gazette that it is His Majesty's pleasure not to disallow the same and thereafter it shall come into operation upon such day as the Governor shall notify by the same or any other Proclamation.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 26th day of April, 1904.

R. F. JOHNSTON,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 29th day of April, 1904.

A. M. THOMSON,
Colonial Secretary.