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I assent.

(L.S.) **MYRIAM SPITERI DEBONO**
President

17th December, 2024

ACT No. XXXIX of 2024

AN ACT to amend the Health Act, Cap. 528.

BE IT ENACTED by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

Short title.

1. The short title of this Act is the Health (Amendment) Act, 2024 and this Act shall be read and construed as one with the Health Act, hereinafter referred to as the "principal Act". Cap. 528.

Amendment of Arrangement of Act.

2. In the Arrangement of Act, immediately after the words "Part V" there shall be added the words:

"Part V A	Department operating Blood, Tissue and Cells Centre	15A - 15B".

Addition of new Part to the principal Act.

3. Immediately after article 15 of the principal Act there shall be added the following new Part:

"PART V A

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15A. (1) There shall be established a Department operating Blood, Tissue and Cells Centre, hereinafter referred to as the Department, whose objective shall be to provide a safe and sustainable blood supply and a service for tissue and cells in compliance with all relevant standards, whilst respecting the donor's voluntary gift for the benefit of eligible patients.

(2) The Head of the Department shall be a Director General.

15B. The Department shall in general exercise such functions and fulfil all the duties and responsibilities provided for in the law, and in particular, perform such functions and duties which the Minister may, from time to time, prescribe by means of regulations.".

Amendment of Schedule A to the principal Act.

4. In paragraph (c) of Schedule A to the principal Act the word "three" shall be substituted by the words "four (4)".

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 295 of the 11th December, 2024.

ANĠLU FARRUGIA
Speaker

ELEANOR SCERRI
Clerk of the House of Representatives

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