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ELIZABETH II



1982 CHAPTER 1

An Act to enable John Francis Dare and Gillian Loder Dare to be married to each other. [27th May 1982]

HEREAS—

- (1) On 18th December 1937 John Darè (then aged 22 years and a bachelor) married Gillian's mother (then aged 26 years and a spinster):
- (2) There were two issue of that marriage and they are still living and aged 41 years and 36 years:
- (3) John Dare and Gillian's mother lived together on terms of great affection until Gillian's mother died on 13th August 1951:
- (4) No blood relationship exists between John Dare and Gillian Dare:
- (5) Both John Dare and Gillian Dare are domiciled and resident in England:

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(6) John Dare is now aged 66 years and Gillian Dare is now aged 49 years and, after Gillian's mother died, they formed the wish to be married to each other but a marriage between them would be void as falling within section 1 (1) of the Marriage Act 1949, in that they stand in the relationship of stepfather and stepdaughter:

1949 c. 76. A

- (7) John Dare and Gillian Dare regard the legal impediment to their marriage as imposing hardship on them, and as serving no useful purpose of public policy, in the particular circumstances of their case:
- (8) They accordingly desire that the impediment should be removed in their case:
- (9) The object of this Act cannot be attained without the authority of Parliament:

Therefore John Dare and Gillian Dare most humbly pray that it may be enacted, and be it enacted, by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Power to marry.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in any enactment or any rule of law to the contrary, there shall be no impediment to a marriage between John Dare and Gillian Dare by reason of their relationship of stepfather and stepdaughter, and no marriage hereafter contracted between them shall be void by reason of that relationship.

Interpretation.

- 2. In this Act (including the Preamble hereto)—
 - "John Dare" means John Francis Dare who was born the son of Charles Sandell and Elfrida Gallwey on 19th October 1915;
 - "Gillian Dare" means Gillian Loder Dare who was born the daughter of Eleanor Norah Iles on 20th September 1932;
 - "Gillian's mother" means Eleanor Norah Iles who was born the daughter of Francis William Iles and Norah Esme Iles on 11th February 1911.

Short title.

3. This Act may be cited as the John Francis Dare and Gillian Loder Dare (Marriage Enabling) Act 1982.

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