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further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act may be called the Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of Article 37 of the Constitution.**- In the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, in Article 37, in paragraph (h), the words and commas “ and, in the case of non-Muslims, religious” shall be omitted.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The non-Muslims (minorities) of Pakistan are facing defamation, agony, insult and discrimination. That All the religions existing in Pakistan are agreed that none of any religion is allowing consumption of alcoholic liquor for the religious purposes so in Islamic Republic of Pakistan the use of alcohol in the name of non-Muslims is a blasphemy act. This is one of the reasons for amending the said clause of Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Due to misuse of this clause the wine shops in the country remain open 365 days in the year. This is also the reason for making the amendment in the above said clause of Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Sd/-

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