A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO AMEND THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR WOMEN DEVELOPMENT (ESTABLISHMENT) ACT, CAP N15. LAWS OF THE FEDERATION, 2004 TO ENHANCE THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CENTRE AND RENAME THE CENTRE AFTER MARYAM BABANGIDA, AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon. Nkeiruka Onyejeocha Commencement BE IT ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows: 1. The National Centre for Women Development (Establishment) Amendment of Cap. N15 LFN, 2004 2 Act, Cap. N15, LFN 2004 (herein referred to as the "Principal Act" is hereby amended as set out below. 3. 2. Section 1 (1) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the 4 Amendment of Section I (I) word "National" Amendment of appearing in line 1 and insert the name 5 "Maryam Babangida": (1) There is hereby established a body to be known as "Maryam 8 Babangida National Centre for Women Development (in this Bill referred to 9 as the "Centre"). 3. Section 2 (1) of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the 10 Amendment of Section 2 (1) word "National" Amendment of appearing in line 2 and insert thereof the 11 12 name "Maryarn Babangida", "(1) There is hereby Established for the Management of the affairs 13 of the Centre, a Governing Council to be known as the Maryam Babangida 14 National Centre for Women Development Council (in this Bill referred to as 15 "the council") which shall subject to this Bill, have general controls of the 16 17 Centre. (2) The Council shall consist of: 18 19 (a) a Chairman,

	1	(b) 5 other members; and
	2	(c) the Director-General of the Centre."
Amendment of Section 5 (2)	3	4. Section 5 (2) of the Principal Act is amended as follows:
	4	"(g) develop measurable parameters and strategic framework to
	5	stimulate creative and constructive ideas for enhancing the overall capacity or
	6	women;
	7	(h) developed capacity building on gender and governance to support
	8	the activities of women in leadership positions and responsibilities;
	9	(i) initiate campaign that will support women in leadership position to
	10	become effective instrument towards achieving democracic and development
	11	sustainability;
	12	(j) network and build reliable partnership with development
	13	organization to support such initiatives to engender women effective
4 '	14	participation in governance;
	15	(k) perform any other functions ancillary thereto".
Amendment of Section 14	16	5. Section 14 of the Principal Act is amended by substituting for the
	17	existing section 14, with new provisions as follows:
	18	"The Council shall have powers to award contract subject to the
	19	provisions of existing laws.
Amendment of Section 17	20	6. Section 17(1) of the Principal Act is amended as follows:
	21	"(1) The Council shall cause to be prepared not later than so"
	22	September in each year an estimate of the expenditure and income of the centre
	23	during the next succeeding year and when prepared, they shall be submitted to
	24	the President for onward transmission to the National Assembly".
Amendment of Section 18	25	
	26	"The Council shall notwithstanding the provisions of section 19 of
	27	this Act and at the end of the every three months, submit to the President a
	28	report on its activities and administration of the council in relation to the centre
	29	for onward transmission to the National Assembly".

100 8. Section 19 of the Principal Act is amended by deleting the word Section 19 "President" appearing in line 2 and substitute thereof with words "National 2 3 Assembly" 4 "(1) The Council shall prepare and submit to the Federal Executive Classical, through the Mirch of the horse one three months after the end of coch veaque d'such vener i de l'exclude les qualité d'acceses en el des rectes des Ó preceding in . to the Hederal Executive Contribution of the C g 9 referred to in subsection (1) of this section cause a copy to be submitted to earn house or see had onal Asson. ... Amend the phrase "Executive-Director" of the centre where ever 11 appearing in the Act with the phrase "Director-General" of the centre. 12 13 9. In this Bill, unless the context otherwise requires: Interpretation 14 "Centre" means Maryam Babangida Centre for Women Development 15 Established by section 2 of this Amendment; Council" means Maryam Babangida Centre for Women Development 16 Council Established by section 3 of this Amendment. 17 10. This Bill may be cited as the Maryam Babangida National Short title 18 19 Centre for Women Development (Establishment) Bill, 2020. EXPLANATORY NOTE This Bill seeks to amend the National Centre for Women Development Act, LFN 2004 to Among Others Rename the Centre as Maryam Babangida National Centre for Women Development in Appreciation of her

Contributions towards National Development.

