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NATIVE LAND AMENDMENT AND NATIVE LAND CLAIMS ADJUSTMENT ACT, 1922.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON PETITION No. 308 OF 1922, OF HUITAU TE HAU, RELATIVE TO TAWAPATA SOUTH Nos. 1, 3, 5, 6, AND 7 BLOCKS.

Presented to Parliament in pursuance of Section 55 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1922.

Native Department, Wellington, 31st July, 1924.

Petition No. 308 of 1922—Tawapata South Block.

Pursuant to section 55 of the Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1922, I herewith forward the report of the Native Land Court herein.

I recommend that legislation be passed enabling the Native Land Court to exercise jurisdiction under Part V of the Native Land Court Act, 1909.

R. N. Jones, Chief Judge.

The Hon. the Native Minister, Wellington.

The Native Land Amendment and Native Land Claims Adjustment Act, 1922.

In the Native Land Court of New Zealand, Aotea District.—In the matter of the petition, No. 308 of 1922, of Huitau te Hau, praying for inquiry into the title to Tawapata South, Parts 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7, referred to the Court under section 55 of the above-mentioned Act.

At a sitting of the Court held at Wairoa on the 23rd March, 1923, the Court made inquiry into the above matter, and now reports as follows:

The representatives of the surviving grantees and of the successors of those who were dead admitted to the Court that there were other persons entitled as owners of the said land in addition to those included in the Crown grant. The Court therefore recommends that it be empowered to inquire and determine who the beneficial owners are, and in what relative shares or proportion they are entitled in the said land.

As witness the hand of the Judge and the scal of the Court.

JAS. W. BROWNE, Judge.

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