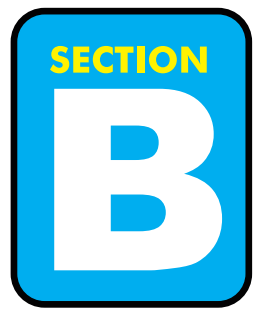


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## United Nations and Bahamas Development Bank Host 2nd Annual Partnership Forum



Nearly 100 government, civil society, youth, private sector and other dynamic representatives participated in the 2nd Annual United Nations (UN)/ Bahamas Development Bank (BDB) Sustainable Development Goals Partnership Forum held last week. During the day-and-a-half event, local and international experts spoke on Economic Prosperity, Equality and Well-Being, Resilience to Climate Change and Shocks and Sustainable Natural Resource Management, and Peace, Safety, Justice and the Rule of Law. The diverse participants then partnered to brainstorm and develop micro-initiatives and solutions based on their respective background and experiences. Under the theme "Words to Action: Mapping a Sustainable Future", this year's Partnership Forum coincides with the second Sustainable Development Goals Summit and the mid-way point of Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development. A final report inclusive of findings and initiatives developed at the Partnership Forum will be made publicly available. The event proactively built on the outcome of last year's Partnership Forum by developing structured partnerships to contribute to national achievement of the sustainable development goals, created new partnerships among attendees, showcased the contributions of youth to realizing the sustainable development goals and developed a roadmap, inclusive of partners, of actionable solutions to be implemented in the period between the end of this and next year's forum, which will align with the United Nations' Summit of the Future.

## Government Signs Lease Agreement with BNT for Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond, Eleuthera

After many years in the making, the government has signed a lease agreement with the Bahamas National Trust to oversee the preservation of Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond, Eleuthera.

Outgoing Minister of Agriculture, Marine Resources and Family Island Affairs, the Hon. Clay Sweeting made the announcement during a press conference held at the Ministry of Agriculture on Thursday, 7th September, 2023. He said that the project has been in the pipeline for many years.

"For consecutive governments and under the tenure of former Director of the Bahamas National Trust, Mr. Eric Carey, there have been considerable talks and efforts to getting us to this point. However, I am honored to be the Minister in the chair as this is my final act in this capacity as I pass the baton to incoming Minister, Jomo Campbell."

He said that Sweetings Pond has been a treasure for Eleuthera for decades as it is a 'unique and ecologically important' site in Eleuthera as a natural inland saltwater pond that is connected to the ocean through the blue holes. A remarkable feature of the pond, he pointed out, was its high concentration of seahorses. It is also home to small reef fish and juvenile sharks. He said that the pond serves as a vital part of Eleuthera's natural heritage.

He said that he understood the need for fully developed infrastructure in the islands that would provide opportunities and create industries and

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## Carnival Cruise Lines Celebrates Bahamas Golden Jubilee Independence Anniversary

Officials of the Ministry of Tourism, Investments and Aviation were welcomed by executives of Carnival Cruise Lines for the 50th Independence Anniversary of The Bahamas celebration on board Carnival's cruise ship 'Mardi Gras' docked in Nassau Harbour on Monday. Bringing remarks were Her Excellency Leslia Miller-Brice, Chair of the National Independence Secretariat; Latia Duncombe, Director General of Ministry of Tourism, Investments & Aviation; and John Pinder, Parliamentary Secretary, the Ministry of Tourism, Investments & Aviation. Also in attendance were Senator the Hon. Randy Rolle, Global Relations Consultant in the Ministry of Tourism, Investments & Aviation; Apostle Delton Fernandez, President, Bahamas Christian Council; tourism officials, and industry partners. The celebration featured special live performance by the Royal Bahamas Police Force Band, and a Junkanoo 'Rush Out.' (BIS Photos/Kemuel Stubbs)



Former Minister of Agriculture, Marine Resources and Family Island Affairs, Hon. Clay Sweeting (left) addressed a press conference for the signing of a lease agreement for the Seahorse National Park Project in Eleuthera. Also pictured, incoming Minister of Agriculture and Marine Resources, Hon. Jomo Campbell and Executive Director of the Bahamas National Trust, Mrs. Lakeisha Anderson-Rolle. (BIS Photo/Mark Ford)

## Tourism Officials celebrate 2023 Junior Minister Day at Grand Bahama Academy



Deputy Director General Dr. Kenneth Romer

September 11th was celebrated as Layla Leathen Day at the Grand Bahama Academy of Seventh Day Adventists in honour of the 2023/2024 Junior Minister of Tourism.

Ministry of Tourism, Investments and Aviation officials, family, friends and well-wishers visited the school for the special ceremony highlighting the new Junior Minister's accomplishments.

Deputy Director General Dr. Kenneth Romer, in conveying the sentiments of the Minister of Tourism, Investments and Aviation and Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon. Chester Cooper, commended the honoree on her prestigious achievement and the academy for the work they perform in education.

Dr. Romer pointed out that having been bestowed the Junior Minister of Tourism title is a mark of distinction and sets Leathen apart as an example, role model, difference maker and is a distinctive call to excellence and service.

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# TRANSFORMING SPACES ART TOUR RETURNS

The Transforming Spaces (TS) Committee is pleased to announce the return of their Art Bus Tour throughout New Providence for 2023. Dubbed "TS50" in honour of the country's 50th Independence Anniversary, the event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, November 11th and 12th.

Due to the unforeseen presence of COVID-19 in 2020, TS reverted to a virtual format, which was well received under the circumstances, but patrons expressed their preference for the unique experience of the Bus Tour. TS is happy to be able to satisfy these wishes as they plan another exciting weekend of immersion into Bahamian art and culture!

There will be six buses each day visiting a total of eight galleries located in both the eastern and western parts of the island: Contemporary Art Bahamas (CAB), Doongalik Studios, ECCHO at Baha Mar, Gallery Wine Bar at Nassau Cruise Port (GWB), Hillside House, ICE Gallery, Sixty 2 Sixty, and TERN Gallery. A new feature will be a lunch stop at the Central Bank of The Bahamas, which will also be the official bus depot, midway through the tour to 'refuel' before boarding for another adventure!

Tickets will be available for sale at the beginning of October at \$50, and will include access to any pre and post events as well as the closing party. Box offices will be located at Doongalik Studios, The National Art Gallery of The Bahamas (NAGB), The Place for Art, The Current: Baha Mar Gallery Art Center, and TERN Gallery.

# McDonald's Mourns the Loss of Derek The Voice Behind Charlie - Yellow Bahamian

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Derek, a long-standing and cherished member of the McDonald's family. Derek, the voice ventriloquist for the beloved puppet character, Charlie - Yellow Bahamian, brought joy and laughter to countless children and families over the years.

Derek was not just a team member; he was a treasured friend and an integral part of our McDonald's community. For over a decade, he graced our restaurants with his remarkable talent and infectious enthusiasm. With Charlie by his side, Derek transformed ordinary visits to McDonald's into extraordinary moments of fun and entertainment.

Like The Pied Piper, Charlie had a loyal following that followed him to every restaurant. Families from near and far would flock to our restaurants, drawn by the enchanting presence of Derek and Charlie. Their magic was so powerful that it transcended individual locations, creating a bond with our customers that spanned generations.

Charlie - Yellow Bahamian was not just a puppet; he was a magical friend to children of all ages.

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# United Nations and Bahamas Development Bank Host 2nd Annual Partnership Forum



# BTVI Renovation Contract signing in GB signifies 'a renewal of hope', says Minister Hanna-Martin

During a \$1.6M contract signing for renovations at BTVI on Monday, September 11, Minister of Education and Technical and Vocational Training, the Hon. Glenys Hanna-Martin said the work being done at the facility represents "renewal of hope" for the people of Grand Bahama.

She commended the Board of Directors who tirelessly worked to bring the loan to fruition.

"To build capacity (of people) to create opportunities for young people to be able to go out in their own businesses or to be a competitor in their skillset is an empowerment level that is very rarely seen, even in the academic world."

As a result, the Minister said, this will assist in building confidence, self-worth, increase self-perception and increase capacity in the marketplace while providing rewarding opportunities.

While previously having a one-dimensional view of education, increasing technical skill sets will assist in meeting the global



Minister of Education and Technical and Vocational Training, the Hon. Glenys Hanna-Martin

demand in high paying jobs. "But we have marginalized the enterprise of the areas. I am very excited that we are broadening and democratizing how we view human development."

She continued, "I am excited

because we have been mandated to develop and promote this aspect of how young people pursue their realities of who they are, what they are and do it with confidence and support."

Addressing the number of work

permits being granted in this area, Minister Hanna-Martin said for about 10 years, the complaint has been that Bahamians don't have the skills. This focus will bring a renewed reality to the people of Grand

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# BTVI Renovation Contract signing in GB signifies 'a renewal of hope', says Minister Hanna-Martin

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Bahama and the northern region. "We are going to see a different Bahamas because we are saying that we as a people are diverse, gifted, talented and there is a space for each of us."

The \$1.6 million contract was awarded to Patrick McDonald Construction Company Ltd., and areas to be renovated and or upgraded include the entire administrative block, labs -- including welding, carpentry and auto -- will all be renovated. Also included will be the addition of an auditorium by making use of the area that was used by the University of The Bahamas as a dining area. Next to this will be a new media department.

Minister for Grand Bahama, the Hon. Ginger Moxey expressed how pleased she was for the contract signing, especially after witnessing the devastation at the facility by Hurricane Dorian. The challenges faced in the aftermath, leading to classrooms being temporarily converted into offices and some classes being taken online, she added, showed the resilience of not only the staff but students as well.

"I commend your efforts thus far and I want to challenge you to become the regional leaders for technology training. The vision for Grand Bahama Island is to become the home of innovation. My ministry is diligently working to accomplish this goal.

"Currently I am the Cabinet Chair for 'Innovate242,' an initiative aimed at propelling The Bahamas into becoming the leading center of innovation for the Caribbean region. We want you to be our partners in propelling our students and island forward in the space of technology. This is crucial as we plan to be on the cutting edge of the ever-evolving demands of the job market and changing tides around the world."

In closing, the Minister added, "Finally, as you continue down the road of transformation, growth, and excellence in technical and vocational education, know that we are in this together and any support you may need, The Ministry of Grand Bahama, in consultation with the Ministry of Education, is at your disposal."



# Minister Moxey says SBDC 'Level Up' seminar for entrepreneurs is a timely one in face of Innovate 242

Minister for Grand Bahama, the Hon. Ginger Moxey said the vision for the island of Grand Bahama is not just to become the home for maritime and logistics, and the home for events and entertainment, but to also become the home for innovation, where the island will pilot many of the revolutionary tech solutions to some of the challenges that the island and The Bahamas face.

Speaking at the opening of the Level Up Entrepreneurial Training seminar held at the Grand Lucayan Resort on Saturday, September 9, 2023, Minister Moxey noted that the seminar's focus on tech solutions and training businesses to digitize was appropriate.

"As the Minister for Grand Bahama, I am also the Cabinet Chair for Innovate 242, developed to propel the Bahamas as the center of innovation for the Caribbean," Minister Moxey told seminar participants.

"Innovate 242 will foster innovation, attract tech entrepreneurs, and provide a platform for collaboration on tech-centered solutions for various problems. This hub will be a nucleus for creative minds to converge and revolutionize industries."

Minister Moxey outlined the "five pillars" for Innovate 242, which include:

- \* The digital nomad program, with 16 islands to consider as a destination for remote work.
- \* Tech campuses on various islands in the Bahamas like the "we work" model including villas, hotels, restaurants and entertainment.
- \* Grand Bahama, as the center for sustainability and the island specifically designed to accommodate international business.
- \* Incubation and start-up facilitation with incubators located on three islands of the Bahamas, namely New Providence, Exuma and Grand Bahama.

\* And a Bahamas tech fund, with a government committed to seed funding to support tech industry entrepreneurs in collaboration with tech hubs from around the world.

"We believe that GB is ideally situated to pilot many of the innovative tech solutions in the area of resiliency and sustainability such as tech tourism, climate change, adaptation, mitigation, renewable energy, environment and master plan development," Minister Moxey added.

"We've already signed an MOU with HUB 350 in Ottawa, Canada. We look forward in the next few weeks to signing many more agreements with major international tech hubs. A truly exciting time for the Bahamas."

Saturday's seminar, which attracted hundreds of small business owners on the island, was hosted by Access Accelerator, a program within the Small Business Development Center for close to five years. The program not only helps potential entrepreneurs incubate,

birth, sustain and grow their business, it has also provided access to funding.

Thus far, the program has funded over two thousand clients throughout the Bahamas. Level Up, is a quarterly training workshop for those with start up businesses and small business owners throughout various industries.

Minister Moxey gave kudos to the program and all it has accomplished thus far, noting that the foundation and ideals are similar to those of Collab, within the Ministry for Grand Bahama.

"Ladies and gentlemen, for years Access Accelerator has pioneered new and effective ways to help fuel the entrepreneurial sector throughout our country," said Minister Moxey. "Its workshop builds on SBDC's unique purpose and shares a similar mandate with that of my Ministry.

"It is my hope that many of you will utilize what you will learn here today to propel your vision, your ideas, and your businesses to another level. To the organizers and moderator, I applaud you all for providing this creative opportunity for entrepreneurs throughout the entire island of Grand Bahama to attain valuable information."

The Grand Bahama Minister used the opportunity to speak briefly about the Collab Unit, to clearly articulate the Unit's purpose, its goals and to show how the Unit could positively impact small businesses on Grand Bahama.

The program was created as a result of a mandate of the Ministry of Grand Bahama to partner with NGOs, businesses, other government agencies and the community at large, to assist with the basic needs of residents and for the growth and development of Grand Bahama Island.

"Through Collab," she explained, "Beautiful Grand Bahama was formed. It employs over 350 individuals who are now able to provide for themselves, put food on their tables and support small businesses such as yours. I hope you see the correlation. Our collaborations are intended to put our people in a better position, in order to spur economic growth from the ground up. We help our brothers and sisters and they in turn help you. This is what true collaboration is all about.

"Collab will also address some of the legacy issues that have been facing Grand Bahama for a long time. For instance, we would like to see the road that was closed open back up, we want the Bizarre situation dealt with, we want the Princess property dealt with, we want the ghetto area fixed up. We want these things dealt with and we've been working real hard over the past 24 months to make it happen. So, I'm very excited about the future. The future for our beautiful Grand Bahama is bright. But let's do it together, as we collab."

Hundreds of Grand Bahamian business owners showed up to register and participate in the Level Up Seminar at the Grand Lucayan Resort on Saturday, September 9, 2023.



Level Up Seminar at the Grand Lucayan Resort on Saturday, September 9, 2023.

Minister for Grand Bahama, the Hon. Ginger Moxey, along with Senator Kirkland Russell participated in the Level Up Training Seminar on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at the Grand Lucayan Resort. Minister Moxey was the keynote speaker for the seminar.



Minister for Grand Bahama, the Hon. Ginger Moxey (center) poses for a photo with participants of the Level Up seminar on Saturday, September 9, 2023 at the Grand Lucayan Resort. Minister Moxey was the keynote speaker at the seminar which was organized by the Small Business Development Center.

# Government Signs Lease Agreement with BNT for Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond, Eleuthera

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employment. He said, however, that the government was cognizant of the fact that it could not act alone and had to find strategic partnerships to work to the advantage of the Bahamian people. This agreement, he believes, is such a partnership.

He also spoke of the importance of conservation of the environment. "It is pertinent that we send a strong message of conservation, to protect the blue economy for years to come," he said. "This seahorse park is phenomenal. Featured on National Geographic and aired globally, the world now knows that in this small body of water on the island of Eleuthera resides the largest concentration and species of seahorses in the entire world. With the assistance of the BNT, this destination can be protected, preserved and regulated so that natives and visitors can experience these phenomena safely so as to ensure the growth of the population of seahorses, as they have done with the land and sea park and other national sites around the country."

He said the lease agreement aims to strike a balance between economic growth and environmental preservation. It provides guidelines and regulations for the sustainable use of Sweetings Pond, ensuring that its unique biodiversity and fragile ecosystem are protected for generations to come.

Executive Director of the BNT, Lakeisha Anderson Rolle, said that she and her team were excited to partner with the government in this venture.

After the three-year agreement, it is anticipated that the BNT will officially open the doors of the Seahorse National Park at Sweetings Pond. Sweetings Pond is a landlocked lagoon located just north of Hatchet Bay in Eleuthera.

# Celebrating the Empowerment of Bahamian NPO Leaders: Cluster Training Certificate Presentations

The Organization for Responsible Governance (ORG) proudly announces the culmination of an empowering journey with over 109 leaders from Bahamian non-profit organizations (NPOs). Over a span of four intensive months, these dedicated individuals participated in eight comprehensive training sessions hosted by ORG, ensuring their NPOs are equipped to work synergistically on matters of national importance.

The structured training covered pivotal subjects crucial for the growth and impact of NPOs in today's dynamic environment. From delving into the intricacies of fundraising and honing leadership and communication skills, to mastering project management, exploring formal models of organizational collaboration, and advocating for human rights, ORG ensured that



# 19th Abaco Business Outlook to assess challenges and opportunities for Abaco's future growth and development

The Abaco Business Outlook is scheduled for Thursday September 21st, 2023, and will be held at the Abaco Beach Resort under the theme "Forward, Upward, Onward Together." The Hon. Wayne Munroe, KC, MP will deliver the keynote address at the highly anticipated event which will also feature prominent experts who will present on various critical topics including tourism development, infrastructure upgrades, education and technology. These discussions aim to chart a path forward for Abaco's recovery and growth despite its challenges post Hurricane Dorian. The hybrid event will facilitate both in-person as well as virtual participants.

Daphne DegGregory-Miaoulis, President of the Abaco Chamber of Commerce will address the current state of Abaco which was left devastated by Hurricane Dorian in 2019 and outline key areas of concern. While steps have been made towards rebuilding a new Abaco, with the islands having received invaluable support from non-governmental organizations (NGOs), second-home owners, and foundations, DeGregory-Miaoulis says that there is still much work to be done and issues that need to be addressed.

"Our key concerns include a severe shortage of housing for civil servants, teachers, and police, deteriorating road infrastructure, exorbitant power bills coupled with frequent outages and the need to demolish abandoned buildings ravaged by Hurricane Dorian," she said.

She added, "There is also an ongoing delay in completing our hurricane shelter, the urgent requirement to rebuild both our international and local ports, and the pressing matter of hurricane debris and proper waste management, among others."

Among the other presenters slated for this year's Abaco Business Outlook are Latia Duncombe, Director General, Ministry of Tourism, Investments, and Aviation; Samantha Lookie, Director of Commercial, Sales, and Marketing, Bahamasair, Chantelle Sands, Head of SME & Family Island Innovations, Cable Bahamas Business Solutions; LaSonya Missick, Managing Director, The Bahamas and Turks and Caicos, and Vice President Personal Banking, RBC FINCO, BC Royal Bank (Bahamas) Limited; Dr. Linda Davis, Interim President, Bahamas Technical and Vocational Institute; Sheandra Newton, Assistant Manager (Product Outreach), Currency Department, Central Bank of The Bahamas; Carl Archer Jr., Project Manager, Carl Archer Jr. and Associates, Director, Abaco Chamber of Commerce; Cyprian Gibson, Deputy General Manager, Water and Sewerage Corporation and Ian Pratt, Chief Operating Officer, Bahamas Power and Light.

This Abaco Business Outlook promises to be a pivotal event in charting the course for Abaco's future growth and development.



# McDonald's Mourns the Loss of Derek The Voice Behind Charlie - Yellow Bahamian

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Derek's exceptional ventriloquism skills made Charlie come alive in a way that captivated the hearts of kids and adults alike. His ability to play games, distribute music, and host kids' parties made every visit to McDonald's an unforgettable experience.

Charlie also coined Special Songs around McDonald's menu. Derek's creativity knew no bounds. He crafted catchy jingles and songs that celebrated our menu items, turning a simple meal into a musical adventure. These tunes became a part of our McDonald's culture, etching themselves into the memories of countless patrons who couldn't help but sing along.

Charlie also taught the kids valuable lessons. Beyond the laughter and the songs, Charlie - Yellow Bahamian, under Derek's guidance, imparted valuable life lessons to children. From the importance of sharing to the magic of friendship, Charlie's antics were not just entertaining but also educational, leaving a positive impact on the young minds that adored him.

Derek's presence at McDonald's was more than just a job; it was a vocation. He had an extraordinary gift for connecting with children and creating golden memories. Parents and guardians often reminisce about how their children looked forward to seeing Derek and Charlie, how their laughter filled our restaurants, and how their

happiness became an indelible part of their McDonald's experience.

Derek's legacy is one of joy, kindness, and genuine care for the happiness of others. His warm smile, quick wit, and love for entertaining will forever be etched in the hearts of those who had the privilege of knowing him. He was not only a crowd favourite but also a true ambassador of McDonald's values.

As we mourn the loss of Derek, we also celebrate the incredible impact he had on our brand and the countless lives he touched. We extend our deepest condolences to Derek's family, friends, and colleagues during this difficult time. We will forever be grateful for the laughter and happiness he brought into our McDonald's family.

While Derek may no longer be with us in person, his spirit and the joy he brought to our restaurants will live on in the memories of all who had the pleasure of sharing a moment with him and Charlie - Yellow Bahamian.

We will continue to honour Derek's legacy by striving to bring smiles and happiness to every McDonald's visit, just as he did. He will forever remain an integral part of our McDonald's family, and we will carry his memory with us in all that we do.

In loving memory of Derek.



Derek Adams and Charlie the Yellow Bahamian bird

every participant is fully equipped to navigate the challenges they face. Additionally, the training also emphasized the importance of monitoring & evaluation, ensuring transparency and efficiency in all endeavors.

As we stand at the intersection of growth and sustainable national development in The Bahamas, the role of NPOs has never been more paramount. Their potential to make lasting, positive changes in

communities, advocate for necessary reforms, and foster a spirit of unity and resilience is unbounded.

Steffon Evans, ORG's Assistant Director noted the breadth of participation and talent demonstrated in The training sessions. "The not for profit organizations that participated reflect diverse missions and serve communities across the archipelago."

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# Coming Home, Local Exumian becomes First Artist-in-Residence at Big Sampson Cay

In the super-charged reality we call our daily lives, few things -- and fewer places -- still have the capacity to take our breath away. One of those is a near hidden gem that lies in the heart of The Bahamas and this week, a local artist had an opportunity to capture it as the island's first artist-in-residence. His name is Emmanuel Clarke and for the better part of five days he worked alone on the relatively undeveloped island called Big Sampson Cay, his brush strokes on canvas creating a permanent repository of the blues and greens of the waters and land around him.

The idea of an artist-in-residence program originated with Bob and Jeanne Coughlin, second homeowners in Exuma and the developers of a planned \$50 million retreat on Big Sampson.

"Many may not be aware, but those who have crossed the path of Bob Coughlin understand he has an unwavering desire to see natural beauty preserved," explained Eric Carey, former executive director of the Bahamas National Trust. "As residents of the Bahamas the Coughlins have been doing whatever they can to support and help in every way possible with a variety of organizations, including BNT, Trust, Friends of Exuma, Run for Pompey, Tour de Turquoise."

Tour de Turquoise, the cycling event, raised more than \$100,000 for Exuma causes.

Coughlin is the co-founder and president of Friends of Exuma, a 501C3 foundation that provides a means for ex-pats to donate to worthwhile causes and programs in Exuma from scholarships to environmental and cultural preservation. Its major donations to sailing have uplifted the new national sport in the islands where the native sloop regatta was born.

It was at a Paint 'n Sip event through the Arts Network and Friends of Exuma that the Coughlins first met Clarke. They shared stories of their love for the Exumas, the Coughlins purchased a painting and shared their vision for the gentle footprint, eco-development on Big Sampson Cay.

For Clarke, that accidental meeting was fortuitous. While his family is from Little Exuma, part of his family resided in the U.S. and he spent much of his youth abroad, attending high school in the U.S., college in Chicago area and continuing a post-graduate university program in France.

"The frigid cold, the exact opposite of warm sand, crystal

oceans and our beautiful ecosystem," he lamented. "The Bahamas and Exuma kept calling me back. This is my home'.

When he returned, he was determined to corral his training and his travels into capturing on canvas the majesty of the land of his birth.

"I was one of the lucky people," he says. "I always knew what I wanted to do from an early age. I just wanted to design and paint and there is no place more beautiful than right here at home in the Exumas."

As conversations continued between the artist and what would become the patron of his first residency, the idea was born.

"Let's have artists take turns, come stay on the island, use this great slice of heaven on earth and allow that to be the muse for one's talent. This would be such a cool and interesting way to share this with people that will be coming to this retreat, to see the art, be a part of it being created and share it so these works of art will make it around the world as people's prized possessions as they recount the most peaceful place on earth they've ever been," said Coughlin.

Clarke was invited to the island with little advice other than 'paint to your heart's content.'

He admits the thought of it was "a little scary" but once he was on Big Sampson, a boat ride of more than 60 miles across the chain of 365 islands and cays, he was so inspired his energy just took over.

"I felt alive in every way," he smiled.

"Picture this, he says, "I would take a walk along the beach at sunrise, explore spots I'd like to set up and study that area to start, eat some breakfast, I would set myself up -- paint, easel, canvas, sometimes just start sketching, but always in a place where I could look in all directions and experience all the surroundings. Then in-between I would go diving in the ocean, go fish off the rocks, eat berries.

Space and peace continuously leave room for creativity. It is never ending."

As his last day of painting on the Big Sampson Cay was wrapping up, he said there was not enough time to paint all he could see. "It was an honour to be the first artist-in-residence at Big Sampson Cay," he said. "It will provide even more inspiration for artists of every age in the Exuma Arts Network and its camps. When the retreat is built, hopefully, we will be able to bring artists on a regular basis.

This is like God's canvas and I am glad it is going to be protected by someone who has the vision."

# Tourism Officials celebrate 2023 Junior Minister Day at Grand Bahama Academy



The Ministry of Tourism, Investments and Aviation heralded September 11, 2023 as Layla Leathen Day at the Grand Bahama Academy of Seventh Day Adventists in honour of The Bahamas' 2023/2024 Junior Minister of Tourism showering her with accolades and praises for her prestigious win. (BIS Photos/Lisa Davis)

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"This Grand Bahama Academy of Seventh Day Adventist School has distinguished itself as a school of choice that cultivates champions," he said.

Dr. Romer also commended the proud parents of new Junior Minister, Marvin and Deathra Leathen, and congratulated the Training and Education Department at the Grand Bahama Tourism Office.

He also noted how proud and excited Ministry of Tourism executives are about the Junior Minister Program, which was launched in 2002 and replicated throughout the Caribbean in 2003, is under the leadership of School Unit Manager Samantha Cartwright.

"This breakthrough training initiative was designed to promote awareness of our leading industry among high school students. It's long-range goal is to generate a talent pool of young professionals to service our tourism industry and, by extension, our economy," he said.

"This coveted program encourages high school students to develop leadership, public speaking, problem solving and team-building skills. It also aims to promote an understanding of the importance of tourism to our country's economy and our culture while seeking to develop leadership and entrepreneurial skills among high school students.

Sixteen-year-old Leathen, who admits she is still in awe of her most recent accomplishment, is confident as she makes ready to represent The Bahamas in a few weeks in the regional competition in the Turks and Caicos Islands she will bring home the Junior Minister of Tourism of the Caribbean title.

The 12th grade aspiring obstetrician-gynecologist said she will forever be grateful for having such a prestigious position as the Junior Minister of Tourism and promised to lead with dignity, courage, faith and honour.

"As your Junior Minister of Tourism for the 2023-2024 year, I vow to leave a lasting impact on the youth of this country -- a legacy that will be continued for many generations to come. I want to be remembered not just as another junior minister, but one who empowered and served as the voice of the youth of this nation," she said.

Principal Jeffrey Jervis said it was history in the making and congratulated Leathen for her persistence and tenacity which led to the grand celebration.

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Their sacrifice of time to participate in multiple sessions and improve their ability to execute their missions is remarkable. The immense tenacity, talent and expertise that we have in The Bahamas was reflected in the input and contributions the NPO leaders offered to the discussions."

Matt Aubry, Executive Director at ORG added, "The investment in these training sessions isn't just an investment in the individual NPO leaders but a profound commitment to the future of The

Bahamas. As they lead their organizations forward with renewed vigor and refined skills, we anticipate witnessing transformative contributions that will shape our nation's trajectory," says.

In the coming months and years, the Organization for Responsible Governance remains dedicated to supporting and celebrating the invaluable work of these NPOs. We believe in their potential to drive sustainable national development, and we eagerly await the promising impacts of their initiatives.

# BAMSI to improve genetic quality of herd

The Bahamas Agriculture & Marine Science Institute (BAMSI) has initiated a programme to optimise the size of its small ruminant herds (sheep and goats) and improve genetic quality. BAMSI veterinarian Dr Mark Butler said improving the herds genetic quality would ultimately provide a critical bridge to higher-quality meat production.

Dr Butler said that health and production are inseparable partners in small ruminant animal husbandry, comparing it to a harmonious marriage.

Health and production are tied together like husband and wife. If animals are unhealthy, they don't produce.

During a recent inspection exercise at the North Andros farm, Dr Butler engaged strategies to improve herd health assessments of the small ruminants. He further explained the selection process of the animals to be used in the breeding programme.

We use proven herd health criteria to select the best and healthiest animals to breed. We separated the female goats (does) and female sheep (ewes) and selected those animals we thought, based on those criteria, were the best to breed, keeping in mind the ease of getting pregnant and carrying the pregnancy to term. Selection for breeding is a crucial step in the process. "We will inject new genetics into the herd by artificial insemination, natural breeding or a combination of both. This move is designed to optimize the quality of the animals produced. Currently, the BAMSI herd has a total of 197 sheep and goats.

Like most small ruminant herds, new genetics will be needed over time. BAMSI's herd is no different in this regard. Over the ensuing six months, BAMSI will introduce purebred genetics to enhance the quality of the herd for meat production. BAMSI's long-term goal is to operate as a feeder herd, providing local farmers with high-quality small ruminants to kickstart their local ventures.

The goal is to maintain a core herd at the North Andros farm while offering livestock to farmers, ensuring both quality and genetic diversity in their herds and across the Bahamas. The farmers can grow the animals for food or breed them to expand their herd.

Dr Butler said that the goal is to have the first breeding in Andros completed by November this year. He also indicated that BAMSI may collaborate with the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) to access technical support for artificial insemination. Introducing new genetics is a strategic move to accelerate the enhancement of the herd's genetic quality.

Improving the herd's genetics will ultimately result in animals that grow faster, yield higher-quality meat, and meet the diverse needs of farmers and consumers alike. Dr Butler emphasized the programme's significance for the food industry, stating that high-quality animals are essential for producing safe and delicious meat for local consumption.

This effort aligns with BAMSI's commitment to educating farmers on animal husbandry and production

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# Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. pays a courtesy call on the Governor General



Members of the Board of Directors of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. paid a courtesy call upon Governor General, Her Excellency the Most Hon. Cynthia Pratt at the Office of the Governor General on Friday, September 8, 2023. Pictured from left: Mr. Tyson McKenzie; Dr. Everett B. Ward, Immediate Past General President, and former President of Saint Augustine's University; H.E. Cynthia Pratt; Attorney Cecil E. Howard, Regional Vice-President/South, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; and Mr. Wellington Richards. (BIS Photo/Letisha Henderson)

# BAMSI

## to improve genetic quality of herd

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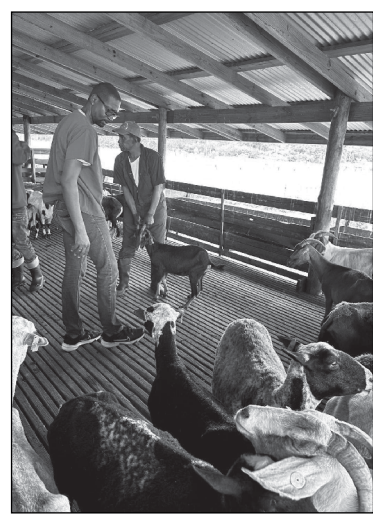
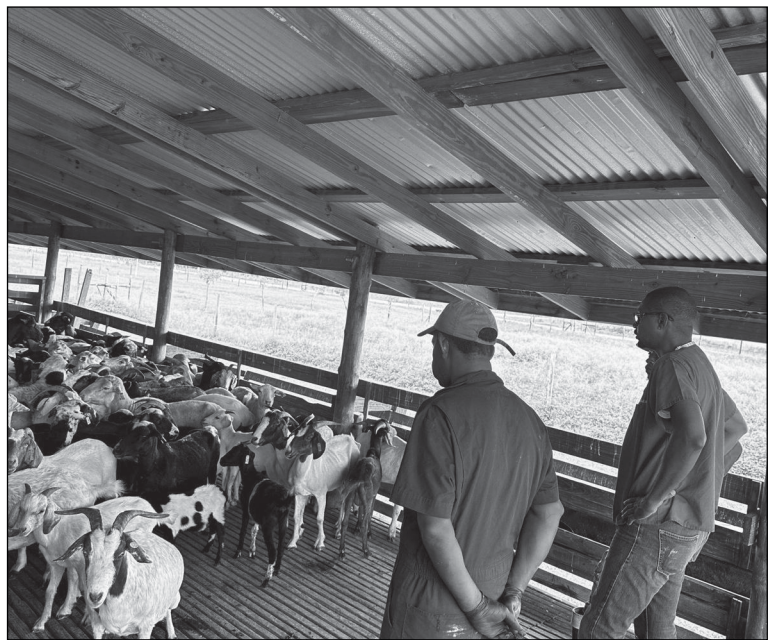
techniques. The Institute's extension services will also play a pivotal role in ensuring farmers have the knowledge and resources to raise healthy and productive animals, contributing to food quality and food safety in the Bahamas. Increased small ruminant production can reduce

the importation of animals. With better meat quality, local restaurants may be more inclined to buy locally—but this will not happen if animals are of low quality, he said.

Dr. Butler said that the quality of animals at BAMSI and that farmers raise directly impacts the end product (meat) that consumers enjoy.

When raising animals for food, quality management systems and good animal health practices determine the final quality of what we eat—they are interconnected.

As BAMSI's herd enhancement programme progresses, it represents a crucial step towards expanding the agricultural industry and promoting high-quality, locally sourced food products in the Bahamas.





# GOVERNMENT NOTICE

## MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND HOUSING ROAD TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

P.O BOX N-1615  
THOMAS A. ROBINSON NATIONAL STADIUM  
NASSAU, N.P. BAHAMAS

A Special Sitting of the Road Traffic Authority Board will be held at Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium, off University Drive, Western Grandstand area on the **21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023** at 10 am.

The Board will be considering applications for the grant of **Self Drive Cars/Scooters, Private Schedule Omnibus Franchises and Variations** in accordance with the Road Traffic Act, Chapter 220.

Further, in accordance with the provisions of Road Traffic Act Chapter 220, any person is entitled to object to the grant of any franchise, however a person who would wish to be heard as an objector should within fourteen (14) days of the date of this publication lodge in writing, two (2) copies of his/her objection, setting out therein, all the grounds of his/her objection(s).

The under-mentioned persons or their representatives are required to attend:

Applicants who submitted their application(s) previously but have not been included on this list are asked to contact the Franchise Section of the Road Traffic Department.

### SELF-DRIVE CARS

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
1	<b>BRANDON ADDERLEY</b> Bernard Road, Fox Hill NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 SD CAR
2	<b>JEREMY ADDERLEY</b> Sandy Lane, Mason Edition P.O. Box GT 2693 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
3	<b>RICKITA ADDERLEY</b> Ellen Williams Close P.O. Box SB 50763 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
4	<b>MARKEDNER ANTOINE</b> Trail Close, Fire Trail Road (West) P.O. Box FH 14406 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
5	<b>JOHNATHON ARMBRISTER</b> Munnings Drive, Golden Gates #2 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
6	<b>ELON BAIN</b> Poitier Avenue P.O. Box N-8989 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS

7	<b>KENDICE BAIN</b> St. Andrews Beach Estates P.O. Box GT 2402 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
8	<b>PEDRO BAIN</b> Allen Close NASSAU, BAHAMAS	13 SD CARS
9	<b>RASHANTE BAIN</b> Pine Yard Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
10	<b>ASHLONE BAKER</b> Firefly Close, Carmichael NASSAU, BAHAMAS	8 SD CARS
11	<b>KELSEY BANNISTER</b> T/A DRAYKO ENTERPRISE Golden Isles Road P.O. Box SS 6711 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
12	<b>DONNA BARR &amp; RAPHAEL MILLER</b> Carmichael Road P.O. Box N-10176 /N-7004 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
13	<b>JAMES BAROCHIN</b> Young Street, off Market Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
14	<b>DEANGELO BETHELL</b> Montel Heights NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
15	<b>KENDRA BEVANS</b> Pastel Gardens P.O. Box NP-458 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
16	<b>ANGELA BERNARD</b> Lumber Close NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
17	<b>ANTHONY BLACK</b> Sir Lynden Pindling Estates P.O. Box N7498 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
18	<b>SHARETA BOWE</b> T/A RSR LUXURY TRANSPORTATION Bowe Avenue, Montell Heights P.O. Box N-7072 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
19	<b>TRISTIAN BOWE</b> College Gardens, Prince Charles P.O. Box N-89222 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
20	<b>CLAYTON BOWLES</b> Soldier Road P.O. Box SB 50577 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
21	<b>LEMUNIQUE BOYD</b> Pineyard Road P.O. Box SS 5029 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
22	<b>MERILYN BRAYNEN</b> Dominica Street, Golden Gates #2 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
23	<b>RAIMUNDO BRENNEN</b> Wilson Tract NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
24	<b>ANTONIO BROWN</b> Bernard Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
25	<b>DAVID BROWN &amp; AKIA KNOWLES</b> Gulfstream Townhouses & Villas P.O. Box N 3365 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
26	<b>STEFON &amp; JOYCELYN BROWN</b> Golden Gates NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
27	<b>TERRANIQUE BROWN</b> Coral Harbour NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
28	<b>ALLAMANDA BULLARD JOHNSON</b> Garden Hills #1 P.O. Box N7055 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
29	<b>JOHN BURROWS</b> Atlantic Drive P.O. Box SS 5428 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
30	<b>STEPHAN BURROWS</b> Baillou Hill Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	15 SD CARS
31	<b>CHARLES BUTLER</b> Comfort Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
32	<b>JOEY BUTLER</b> Pine Yard Road P.O. Box SP 60491 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
33	<b>LAVARDO BUTLER</b> Balfour Avenue P.O. Box CB-13770 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
34	<b>BIANCA BUTLER-PIERRE</b> Dignity Gardens, Carmichael Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
35	<b>SEBASTIAN CAREY</b> Gladstone Road P.O. Box N-9380 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	20 SD CARS
36	<b>CRYSTAL CARTWRIGHT-STUART</b> Soldier Road P.O. Box EE 15443 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
37	<b>TERROL CASH</b> Wulff Road P.O. Box N 10174 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
38	<b>JERMAINE CIVILMA</b> T/A A.Y.A CAR RENTAL Barcardi Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
39	<b>J'VON COAKLEY</b> Via Dela Rose NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
40	<b>DEANGELO CONLIFFE</b> Golden Gates #2 P.O. Box CR 56867 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
41	<b>ANSHINIQUE COOPER</b> Key West Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS

**SELF-DRIVE CARS**

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
42	AMY DAMES Nassau East (South) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
43	RICARDO DAMES Collins Drive, Faith Gardens NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
44	THEODORE DARVILLE Winton Meadows NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
45	FRANCINA DAVIS Fire Trail Road (West) P.O. Box N 3701 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
46	ICE DAVIS Step Street, Fox Hill NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
47	LERONE DAVIS Raymond Road P.O. Box N 99 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
48	NORA DAVIS Exuma Street P.O. Box N 7829 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
49	ARVIN DAWKINS Gaulin Avenue, Soldier Road P. O. Box N 3572 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
50	ANDREW DEAN St. Andrew's Beach Estate P.O. Box EE 15724 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 SD CAR
51	DESMOND EZEKIEL DEAN Sugar Apple Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
52	ULYSSES DEAN East Street (South) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
53	GLENROY DELANCEY Cowpen Road (West) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
54	BRIAN DEVEAUX Strachan's Blvd. P.O. Box FH-14150 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
55	JAMAL EDGEcombe & ROXBERGH WILLIAMS JR. T/A JR3 CAR RENTALS Cowpen Road (West) P.O. Box SB 50774 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
56	PHYLCIA ELLIOTT Maria Court P.O. Box FH 14079 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
57	JERIDET ETIENNE Bacardi Road P.O. Box CR 56799 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
58	PETER EVANS Meeting Street P.O. Box SB-52995 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
59	VENTURA EVANS Morning St., East Park Estates P.O. Box N-3591 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
60	DONICA FARRINGTON Pinewood Gardens P.O. Box SB 52110 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
61	EDAJH FAWKES Sandy Lane, McColough Corner P.O. Box N-9410 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
62	ANDIRA FERGUSON T/A RED CARPET CAR RENTAL Victoria Blvd. P.O. Box SS 19160 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
63	DELVONNE FERGUSON Fire Trail Road (West) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
64	LENERA FERGUSON Faith Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	8 SD CARS
65	PATRICK FERGUSON South Beach Estates P.O. Box SS 5089 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
66	DAYANA HERNANDEZ FERNANDEZ Churchill Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
67	ALTON FORBES Skyview Close P.O. Box N-7650 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
68	CRYSTAL FORBES Prospect Ridge, Sanford Drive P.O. Box CB 12242 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
69	SHANAE FORBES & OMAR COLLINS Allen Close, Fire Trail Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
70	DAVON FOWLER & LANIQUE JOSEY Major Road, Yellow Elder P.O. Box CR 56569 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
71	MARIO FOWLER Burvic Close Subdivision NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
72	TOKENA FOX T/A T.C.I CAR RENTALS Kemp Road & Roosevelt Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
73	SYMPHONY GARDINER Oxford Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
74	MARVA GIBSON Step Street, Fox Hill P.O. Box EE 16420 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
75	SEAN & SOBRAE GIBSON T/A SG IMPORTS & EXPORTS Mount Royal Avenue P.O. Box SB 52599 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
76	TEKA GRANT-THOMPSON Garden Hills #2 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
77	TRACEY GRAY Captain Road, Coral Heights East P.O. Box SS 6816 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
78	JULIETT GREEN East Dennis Court, Yellow Elder NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
79	ROBINSON GUSTAVE Palm Breeze Drive P.O. Box CR-54364 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
80	COHEN HANNA Bernard Road, Fox Hill P.O. Box FH 14178 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	11 SD CARS
81	GARCIA HANNA Copan Close, Farrington Road P.O. Box CR 55666 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
82	JANELSA HANNA Carmichael Road (West) P.O. Box N 10514 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
83	ERNEST & CHERYL HAVEN Stapledon Gardens P.O. Box N-4626 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
84	CANDI HENFIELD Cedar Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
85	EDWARD HEPBURN East Street (South) P.O. Box SS 19341 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
86	JONI HIGGS Bacardi Road P.O. Box CR 56855 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 SD CAR
87	ADELL HUYLER-GAY Carval Road, Southern Shores NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
88	RENEICEA JEAN-BAPTISTE Allen Drive, Carmichael Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
89	BRENT JOHNSON JR. Catherine Street, Hope Gardens NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
90	CASSANDRA JOHNSON Soldier Road P.O. Box SB 50245 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
91	CHRIS JOHNSON Doubloon Drive & Faith Avenue P.O. Box EE 17272 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
92	DEVIN & ROBYN JOHNSON Garden View Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
93	KRISTOPHER JOHNSON & RAYNIQUE MOSS Montell Heights NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
94	REANNE JULIEN Fire Trail Subdivision P.O. Box EE 17260 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
95	SIMONA KERR Silver Fish Drive P.O. Box CB 13363 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
96	CHRISTINA KING Washington Street & Robinson Road P.O. Box CB 13955 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
97	JASON KING Hopkins Drive, Coral Harbour P.O. Box CB 12075 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
98	RUDOLPH KING Ocean Hole Drive, Mount Vernon NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
99	KEITH LAING JR. T/A VERON'S CAR RENTAL East Street South P.O. Box N-4571 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
100	DEMICKO LLOYD & SHENIKRA JOHNSON Elizabeth Estates NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
101	ERICA STURRUP LLOYD Alocasia Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
102	DWIGHT LONGLEY Sandilands Village P.O. Box SB 50461 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
103	YVANIA LUNDY Joan's Heights NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
104	AZANO MAJOR McKinney Drive P.O. Box CR56859 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
105	MARILYN MAJOR Faith United Way, Blue Hill Rd. (South) P.O. Box N-3610 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
106	VERNAL MAJOR Soldier Road P.O. Box EE-17179 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
107	NIGEL & SHERILL McBRIDE Coral Lakes Avenue P.O. Box EE-15492 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
108	MARIO McCARTNEY Maple Drive & Reginald Road P.O. Box CB-12762 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
109	BARRY & TRENAIRE McKENZIE Faith Avenue P.O. Box SB 52832 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
110	IKE-VAUGHN McKENZIE Cowpen Road P.O. Box N 1580 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
111	JUSTIN McKENZIE Bitter Root Ave., Charles Saunders Highway P.O. Box N-10108 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
112	ROSENELL McKENZIE R. E. Cooper Drive P.O. Box N-9535 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS



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113	TATIANNA MCKINNEY Seabreeze Lane NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
114	EARL & WENDY MEADOWS R. E. Cooper Estates off Jean Street P.O. Box N-3131 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
115	MICHAEL MILLAR T/A BAHAMAS OVERLAND ADVENTURES Oakes Field Garage P.O. Box N1696 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	20 SD CARS
116	ABDULAI MILLER Oleander Avenue, South Beach NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
117	KEVINDINA MILLER Podoleo Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
118	KRISTINA MILLER Pride Estates #3 P.O. Box N-7038 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
119	LIONEL MILLER JR. Colony Village (East) P.O. Box N 9075 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
120	PRINCE MILLER Farrington Road P. O. Box N-4381 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
121	CHRISTOPHER MINNIS Minnie Street P.O. Box GG2266 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	15 SD CARS
122	SHON MISSICK T/A SHONNY'S CAR RENTAL East St. & Cordeaux Ave. P.O. Box SB 50948 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
123	DONVILLE MORLEY Ida Street & Balfour Avenue P.O. Box N 7660 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	
124	DEANGELO MORTIMER Milton Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
125	ALBERTHA MOSS Shirley Street P.O. Box EE 17992 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
126	KEITHRON MOSS Coral Heights Avenue, Coral Heights NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
127	JAEMANN MUNNINGS Rocky Pine Road P.O. Box SP 60752 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
128	YHASMINE MUSGROVE Vennis Bay NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
129	PHILIP NATHAN Fire Trail Road (West) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	20 SD CARS
130	THERESA NEELY South Beach Drive P.O. Box SB 51911 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
131	DEON NEWBOLD Newbold Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
132	WARREN NEYMOUR Fox Hill Road (South) P.O. Box EE16093 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	8 SD CARS
133	CRYSTAL NOTTAGE Atlantic Drive, Westridge NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
134	GINA NOTTAGE Bellot Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
135	MACHQUL OUTTEN Flamingo Gardens NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
136	ADRIAN PARKS Dignity Gardens NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
137	EMMANUEL PETIT #34 Quintine Alley P.O. Box CR 54802 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
138	SHANNAN PHILLIPS Golden Isles, Carmichael Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
139	SAIL PIERRE Dunmore Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
140	QUINTON POITIER Marathon Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
141	CHAD PRATT Wild Harvest Drive, Skyline Lakes NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
142	LEOHA RAHMING Honey Creeper Lane, Carmichael Road P.O. Box CR 54447 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
143	TARRA & JASON RICHARDSON Banyan Avenue, South Beach NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
144	TASHIA RICHARDSON Golden Isles Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
145	MORICKIA ROBERTS T/A QUICK MOVES Lily Lane, Garden Hills P.O. Box CB 13494 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
146	ANTONIO ROKER Soldier Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
147	ANTHONY ROLLE Kemp Road P.O. Box FH 14387 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
148	DIANE ROLLE Carmichael Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
149	LAMONT ROLLE Burvic Estates, Prince Charles Drive NASSAU, BAHAMAS	15 SD CARS

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
150	LAWRENCIA ROLLE Rosena Drive, Faith Gardens NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
151	PEREZ ROLLE & D'ANDRA CADET Cowpen Road P.O. Box AP 59068 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
152	STEPHENARDO ROLLE T/A 3071 MOBILE RENTALS Carmichael Road P.O. Box N-4800 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
153	PATWELL ROSE Fire Trail Road P.O. Box CR 56546 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
154	SAMUEL SAUNDERS Silver Gates P.O. Box CR 56857 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
155	JACKLYN SEALEY Thundra Court, Leeward Estates P.O. Box AP 59217 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
156	VALENTINO SHERMAN Sherman Avenue, West Bay Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
157	ANISHKA SMITH Adelaide Village P.O. Box N-3280 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
158	BRIAN SMITH Sunshine Way P.O. Box GT 2968 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
159	CORIE SMITH JR. Dover Avenue, South Beach NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 SD CAR
160	D'RON SMITH & KERLAND NOEL Stuart Calf Close P.O. Box GT 2529 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
161	GORDON SMITH Palmetto Avenue P.O. Box N 8922 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
162	JERMAINE SMITH Orange Drive, Winton Meadows P.O. Box N-4324 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
163	JAMAL STORR Wulff Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
164	MARSHA STUBBS Bernard Road, Fox Hill NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
165	TRAVIS STUBBS T/A 242 RENTALS & SALES LTD. Yorkshire Drive NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
166	CORDERO STURRUP Malcolm Allotment P.O. Box SB 50274 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
167	WILLIAM STURRUP Cowpen Road P.O. Box N-3733 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 SD CAR
168	JASMIN SYMONETTE-BURKE Bay Geranium Avenue P.O. Box N-10339 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
169	CARDWELL TAYLOR Sir Lynden Pindling Estates NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
170	DOMINIC & CRYSTLE TAYLOR Yametto Drive, Marathon Estates P.O. Box N-10508 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
171	DANNELEE THOMPSON Pride Estates #3 P.O. Box GT-2217 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
172	JULIAN THOMPSON Leonard Lane, Mt. Tabor Gardens(West) P.O. Box CR 56990 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
173	JEROME THURSTON Warrick Terrace, Blue Hills Estates NASSAU, BAHAMAS	6 SD CARS
174	JOSEPHINE THURSTON Johnson Close, Bernard Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
175	FALON WALKER Westward Villas NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
176	ELVARDO WALKES Acklins Street P.O. Box EE 16465 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
177	ESTELLA WALKES-PRATT Cat Island Avenue, Yamacraw P.O. Box FH 14531 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
178	PRESCOTT WALKES & MIKELDA MICHEL Hamster Road, Faith Avenue (North) NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD CARS
179	ANGELO WHITFIELD Kemp Road P.O. Box EE 15905 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
180	LEON WILCHCOMBE Sandilands Village P.O. Box SS 5566 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS
181	LINDA MAE WILLIAMS Malcolm Road P.O. Box N-3501 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD CARS
182	MARIO WILLIAMS Plane Street, Pinewood Gardens P.O. Box SB-52474 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
183	DAVANA WILSON Edward's Avenue P.O. Box N-3442 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	5 SD CARS
184	DION WRIGHT JR. Palmetto Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
185	LUDELL WRIGHT Seabreeze Estates P.O. Box SB 50461 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS

**SELF-DRIVE CARS**

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
186	TARAH-JAY WRIGHT David Smalley Close, Millennium Gardens P.O. Box N 4571 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD CARS
187	JAMAAL YALLOP Pine Yard Road, Seabreeze P.O. Box SS 19440 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD CARS
188	SHANTELL YOUNG Palmetto Crescent, Marathon P.O. Box CB 11507 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD CARS

**SELF-DRIVE SCOOTERS**

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
1	ANTHONY BAIN & JUDY CASH Cardney Close, Delaporte P.O. Box CB 11867 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD SCOOTERS
2	TARUEAN BETHEL East Street (South) P.O. Box CB 13082 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD SCOOTERS
3	DE'ARREN RANDOLPH CARTWRIGHT Pinewood Garden NASSAU, BAHAMAS	10 SD SCOOTERS
4	JOSH DUNCANSON Yorkshire Street P.O. Box SP 60515 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 SD SCOOTERS
5	ANDIRA FERGUSON T/A RED CARPET CAR RENTAL Victoria Blvd. P.O. Box SS 19160 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 SD SCOOTERS
6	GLEN KNOWLES 3rd Street & Robinson Roads P.O. Box EE-17907 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	30 SD SCOOTERS
7	IGNATIUS MCKENZIE & JASON FERNANDER Tapaculus Avenue P.O. Box N-8580 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	8 SD SCOOTERS
8	ANTHONY ROLLE Kemp Road P.O. Box FH 14387 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	3 SD SCOOTERS
9	VALENTINO SHERMAN Sherman Avenue, West Bay Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 SD SCOOTERS
10	OMAR SMITH Paradise Plaza P.O. Box N-4540 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	20 SD SCOOTERS

**PRIVATE SCHEDULE OMNIBUS**

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
1	SHAWN BAILLOU Figl Court P.O. Box EE-15362 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 PRIVATE SCHEDULE
2	FONTELLA CHIPMAN-ROLLE T/A CHIPPIS CULTURAL TRANSPORTATION West Bay Street P.O. Box SP 61917 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
3	THEODORE DARVILLE Winton Meadows NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
4	SHENNEL DESINOR Maple Street, Pinewood Gardens P.O. Box NP-4340 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
5	LACHEZ FERGUSON Fire Trail Road P.O. Box N408 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
6	LATINA FERGUSON-ROLLE & TENAJ BURROWS Bacardi Road P.O. Box N-10445 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	4 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
7	GERALLE GABRIEL Elizabeth Estates NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
8	DAYTON B. JONES Middle Street, Lake Road NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
9	ADRIAN KELLY Lumumba Lane P.O. Box N-1365 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	1 PRIVATE SCHEDULE
10	SANDY CAMPBELL & ROMAN LAING T/A ISLAND FOOD TOURS LTD. Camperdown Drive P.O. Box N-4663 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
11	KEEVON MAYNARD Winton Meadows P.O. Box EE 16793 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	2 PRIVATE SCHEDULES
12	DEBORAH PALMER Beauford Road, Stapeldon Gardens P.O. Box CB 11255 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	7 PRIVATE SCHEDULES

**VARIATIONS**

NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
1	LESLIE BROWN Alexandria Blvd. NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to reduce number of Scooter Franchise granted on 22nd June, 2022 from five (5) to four (4).
2	ERSKINE DAVIS Kool Acres NASSAU, BAHAMAS	DENISE DAVIS is requesting to have her husband ERSKINE DAVIS (deceased), franchise transferred to herself.

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NO.	NAME/PHONE	AMOUNT REQUESTED
3	DONALD DAWKINS Cordeaux Avenue P.O. Box N-574 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to transfer Public Schedule Franchise Dawkins Bus Service JN0320 & JN0477 to his son Donovan Dawkins. To transfer Private Schedule Franchise Dawkins Private Schedule PN0432 to his son Donovan Dawkins.
4	RONALD DUNCOMBE T/A DISTINGUISHED ENTERPRISES LTD. Seahorse Drive, Serenity P.O. Box CB 11100 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to return Private Schedule Franchise plates to Road Traffic Department.
5	CHRISTIO EDGEcombe Lancaster Road P.O. Box GT 2936 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to transfer ten (10) self-drive franchise plates to ELIZABETH LAFLEUR & ANTHONY DEAN.
6	MINERVA EDWARDS Ocean Street, Golden Gates #1 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting a change of route for Public Service Franchise from route 21 to route 16A.
7	VENISSA ELLIS T/A EXPRESS BUS SERVICE P.O. Box SS 19238 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to transfer Public Schedule Omnibus plates JN0345 & JN0480 to Adolphus Ellis.
8	PHILIP EWING Rosewood Street NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting a change of route for Public Schedule Franchise JN0063 from route 14 to route 15.
9	ADDISON FERGUSON T/A NEW EDITION SALE AND RENTAL St. Vincent Road P.O. Box N-10883 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to dissolve his Self-Drive Franchise.
10	JULIAN FERGUSON T/A ACCESS TRANSPORTATION CO. LTD. Tapon Drive, Joans Heights NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to have both franchise, Private Schedule and Private Charter, name changed from ACCESS TRANSPORTATION CO. LTD. to 3J TRANSIT.
11	GIBBS BUS SERVICE TESSA GIBBS-MCKENZIE Nassau East NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to remove OTTO GIBBS (deceased) from the franchise GIBBS BUS SERVICE. Further that PREATTA GIBBS, TENEIL GIBBS-ARMBRISTER & TESSA GIBBS-MCKENZIE continue as the remaining partners.
12	CLARANCE HIGGS T/A UNITED BAHAMAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES LTD. Gleniston Gardens, Prince Charles Drive P.O. Box CB 11744 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to transfer Tour Car Plates RN0061 & RN0062 from the Estate of Leslie McKenzie to United Bahamas Transportation Service Ltd.
13	KENDAL HIGGINS Robinson & Soldier Roads P.O. Box N 1982 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to change Self-Drive Franchise name from Ken-Kei Company Limited to H2H Car Rental.
14	KENDANIO KNOWLES Step Street, Fox Hill NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting a change of route for Public Schedule Franchise JN0364 from route 11 to route 12B.
15	RENEIKA KNOWLES T/A STAR CAR RENTAL Cable Beach P.O. Box CB 12276 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to change Self-Drive Franchise name from Star Car Rental to Rent Star Car Ltd. T/A Rent Star Car. Change of Address to #601 West Bay Street. Requesting addition of ten (10) self-drive plates to franchise.
16	TONGUEKEIA MAJOR Dignity Gardens P.O. Box N-10639 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to add husband Antonio Major to Self-Drive Franchise. Requesting One (1) additional self-drive franchise plate.
17	CHRISTOPHER PAUL Joseph Avenue NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting a change of route for Public Schedule Franchise JN0413 from route 19 to route 12A.
18	SEABEACH CAR RENTAL Love Beach P.O. Box CB 12156 NASSAU, BAHAMAS	Requesting to dissolve Self-drive Franchise and return Self-drive plates.
19	MARIO STRACHAN T/A MSC BUS SERVICE	

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