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TO: MEMBERS OF THE 31ST LEGISLATURE'S COMMITTEE ON
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FROM: Senator Janette Millin Young 
Chairperson
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DATE: March 8, 2016

SUBJECT: Notice of Committee Hearing

Please be advised that I have scheduled a committee hearing to be held on Friday, April 1st, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas to discuss the following measures:

10:00 a.m. CZM Permit No. CZT-8-14 (W) St. Thomas committee of the Virgin Islands coastal zone management commission and permittee Mike Edison Fabian.

Invited Testifiers:

- ✚ Dawn Henry, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Natural Resources
- ✚ Mr. Mike Edison Fabian, Permittee.

11:30 a.m. Bill no. 31-0343 an act amending title 29 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 12, section 710 relating to employment of residents, providing that a nonresident hired by an

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entity receiving economic incentives, based in part upon how many Virgin Islands residents it hires, will continue to be identified as a nonresident hire throughout the person's employment at the entity for the purpose of determining the entity's continued receipt of economic incentives.

Invited testifier:

- ✦ Honorable Catherine Hendry, Esq., Commissioner, Department of Labor
- ✦ Ms. Bernadette Melendez, Director, Bureau of Economic Research
- ✦ Mr. Wayne Biggs, CEO, Economic Development Authority
- ✦ Mr. Sebastiano Paiewonsky, President, St. Thomas/John Chamber of Commerce
- ✦ Ms. Kimberly McCollum, President, St. Croix Chamber of Commerce
- ✦ Mr. Avery Lewis, President, Central Labor Council
- ✦ Attorney Russel B. Pate, President, VI Bar Association
- ✦ Mr. Tito Morales, Labor Leader

3:00 p.m. A discussion on global warming and the impact the resulting climate change will have on the economic future of the Virgin Islands.

Invited testifiers:

- ✦ Honorable Carlos Robles, Commissioner, Department of Agriculture
- ✦ Mr. Shawn-Michael Malone, Federal Relations Coordinator
- ✦ Mr. Jean-Pierre Oriol, Director, Division of Coastal Management
- ✦ Dr. LaVerne Ragster, Retired Professor and President Emerita
- ✦ Mr. Lloyd Gardner, Environmental Support Services, LLC
- ✦ Dr. Wayne Archibald, University of the Virgin Islands
- ✦ Dr. Kostas Alexandridis, University of the Virgin Islands