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HONORABLE JAVAN E. JAMES, SR.
Senator/Chair, Committee on Economic Development and Agriculture
35th Legislature of the United States Virgin Islands
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Via Email: Senatorjames@legvi.org

RE: STATEMENT TO BILL NO. #35-0257

Dear Senator James,

On the behalf of the St. Thomas/St. John Chamber of Commerce, I thank you for the invitation to testify on the Thirty-Fifth V.I. Legislature Bill No. 35-0257, an Act to develop and produce an annual IS Beer, Wine and Spirits Festival, sponsored by Senator Diane Capehart.

Please accept this correspondence in lieu of an in-person testimony as I will be out of the Territory on the date of the hearing. **The Chamber is in favor of the establishment of the proposed festival. We recognize the importance of the Territory diversifying its hospitality offerings.**

Sincerely,

John P. Woods, AIA, NCARB
President

Cc: St. Thomas-St. John Chamber Members