GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

Elections System of the Virgin Islands

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Dear Senators Angel L. Bolques, Jr., Carla J. Joseph, Ray Fonesca, Novelle E. Francis, Jr., and Marise C. James,

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for your recognition of the Board of Elections, Supervisor of Elections, Caroline Fawkes, and the entire Elections System of the Virgin Islands team for their tireless service and contributions to the Virgin Islands community on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary.

We are honored to have your support as we continue to work to ensure that all Virgin Islanders have the opportunity to participate in our democracy.

Over the past six decades, our team has worked tirelessly to ensure that elections are fair, accessible, and secure. We have made great progress, but there is still more work to be done. We are committed to continuing to improve our services and making it easier for all Virgin Islanders to vote.

We also celebrate many firsts as the Elections System of the Virgin Islands is recognized by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands, as well as being the first Board that is administered by women and the first time that the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson are from St. John.

We're grateful for your continued support of the Elections System of the Virgin Islands, and we look forward to working with you to ensure that our democracy is strong and vibrant for generations to come.

Sincerely,

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Alecia M. Wells, CERA Chairwoman Board of Elections