

May 1, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Mrs. Anna Wallace-Francis for over 30 years. Mrs. Francis was an outstanding science teacher at the Addelita Cancryn Jr. High School (A.C.J.H.S.) for three decades. In addition, she is an environmentalist and community activist. She is an active member of the Pan-African Support Group (PASG). She was the co-founder of the Environmental Rangers, a student group based at A.C.J.H.S. With her students, she had a humble relationship that one would expect of a committed teacher. In her classes, there was generally a spirit of friendliness, enthusiasm, and mutual support. She taught and reached her diverse students and learners. Her students learned about science, history, culture, and the environment. As a PASG member, Mrs. Francis works well in committee that have organized annual traditions such as 1733 St. John Revolution, Emancipation Day, Kwanzaa, Black History Month, and African Liberation Day. Hence, Mrs. Francis is committed to the promotion and preservation of the history, culture, historical landmarks, "common", and environment of the Virgin Islands.

Mrs. Francis is a team player. She maintains a high standard of personal integrity. She is proud of her African and Caribbean cultural Heritage. Based on the value of self-determination, she takes the initiative, uses her resources, and works with anyone to achieve the goals of the organization, board, and committee. She articulates ideas that inform, inspire, and empower others. She does as much as she can in a way to improve our community, island, and environment that are beautiful and beneficial than we inherited it. Because she

is knowledgeable about our history, culture, and environment, she enlightens anyone who is willing to listen and learn.

As a former colleague, brother, and comrade, I am pleased to have worked with Mrs. Francis for over three decades. I have witnessed her development, achievements and contributions to education, environment, culture, and self-determination.

In closing, Mrs. Francis would be a progressive asset on the Virgin Islands Territorial Park Board of Trustees for the District of St. Thomas-St. John. Your approval of Mrs. Francis' nomination will be highly respected.

Regards,

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