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October 25, 2023

The Honorable Diane Capehart Chair, Committee on Rules and Judiciary 35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands 3022 Estate Golden Rock-Christiansted St. Croix, VI. 00802

Dear Senator Capehart:

I am writing today as the President of the Virgin Islands Territory Association of Realtors® to whole heartedly endorse Kasima I. Knight-Hodge for the USVI Real Estate Commission. I have known Kasima I. Knight-Hodge for almost ten years, as a Realtor®, as President and member of the St Thomas Board of Realtors®, and, for the past five years as a VITAR Board of Directors member with the last two of those five years as the VITAR Board of Directors President. In all those years, Kasima I. Knight-Hodge has been the consummate professional and always puts the public first as her duties demand.

I only recently started my real estate career: prior to being a Realtor® I was working in senior levels of fortune 500 companies in the US. The public benefits greatly from the level of professionalism Kasima I. Knight-Hodge brings to the St. Thomas Board of Realtors® and the St. John Board of Realtors®. Kasima I. Knight-Hodge is a watchdog of our industry here in the Virgin Islands. She makes certain all Realtors® follow the code of ethics.

Kasima I. Knight-Hodge is one of the most knowledgeable people I know when it comes to the real estate market here in the USVI. She was born and raised in the USVI and many of her family and friends still live and work here. Kasima I. Knight-Hodge has also had the advantage of living in various locations of the US, while still having the day to day understanding of our culture and business climate in the Virgin Islands through her job as Association Executive for both the St. Thomas and St. John Boards of Realtors®.

The people of the Virgin Islands will be greatly enriched with Kasima I. Knight-Hodge serving on the Real Estate Commission.

Warmest Regards,

Martin Lauzze 2022-2023 President

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