

**Testimony for Dr. Kyza A. Callwood UVI RT Park Nomination  
Provided by Lori Anderson**

To Whom It May Concern,

Honorable members of the 35th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Committee on Rules and Judiciary, I, Lori Anderson, am privileged to provide this testimony in support of Dr. Kyza A. Callwood, nominee for the University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park (UVI RT Park). Having known Dr. Callwood for nearly three decades, I can confidently attest to his exceptional character, integrity, and dedication to the Virgin Islands community.

My journey with Kyza began in 1997 when he vied for the title of Prince and Princess for the St. Thomas Carnival. Even at a young age, Kyza was a remarkable individual who stood out for his dedication and a natural ability to lead. The competition required immense preparation, creativity, and the ability to connect with the community—all of which Kyza embodied effortlessly. I recall how he approached every aspect of the event with unwavering enthusiasm and a sense of responsibility far beyond his years. His maturity, confidence, and abilities during that time laid the foundation for the extraordinary leader he has become today.

Over the years, I have watched Kyza's growth with great admiration. His journey has been characterized by a relentless pursuit of excellence, a commitment to service, and a deep-rooted passion for uplifting others. As he advanced academically and professionally, he never lost sight of his cultural heritage or his desire to contribute meaningfully to the Virgin Islands. His ability to balance the demands of his career while remaining an advocate for the betterment of his community is a testament to his remarkable character.

Dr. Callwood is a visionary leader who brings intellect, creativity, and a collaborative spirit to every endeavor. His academic achievements are matched only by his deep sense of empathy and his ability to inspire those around him. Whether mentoring young professionals, engaging with community initiatives, or collaborating with stakeholders to drive innovation, Kyza's leadership style is marked by inclusivity and a genuine desire to see others succeed.

His candidacy for the UVI RT Park is particularly exciting, as it aligns with his lifelong commitment to fostering growth and opportunity in the Virgin Islands. Kyza possesses a profound understanding of the challenges and opportunities that define our region. His ability to integrate research, technology, and practical solutions uniquely positions him to drive economic development and innovation. His vision for a thriving, tech-forward Virgin Islands is not only inspiring but also deeply rooted in a realistic understanding of our community's needs and potential.

Throughout the decades that I have known him, Kyza has consistently demonstrated integrity, resilience, and an unwavering dedication to the people of the Virgin Islands. Whether working on a local initiative or contributing to a broader platform, he has always prioritized the values of respect, hard work, and diversity. His humility and ability to bring people together have earned him the respect and admiration of colleagues, friends, family, and community members alike.

It is rare to find someone as multifaceted and committed as Dr. Kyza A. Callwood. His journey from the Prince and Princess stage in 1997 to his current nomination for the UVI RT Park is a testament to his perseverance and passion for making a difference. I have no doubt that his

leadership will be transformative for the UVI RT Park and the broader Virgin Islands community.

I wholeheartedly and without reservation support Dr. Callwood's nomination. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further details or personal insights regarding his qualifications and character.

Sincerely,  
Lori Anderson