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The Honorable
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January 16, 2026

Honorable Jean-Pierre L. Oriol
Commissioner
Department of Planning and Natural Resources
8100 Lindberg Bay, Suite 61
St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands 00802

Re: Invitation to Testify – Oversight Hearing on the Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project

Dear Commissioner Oriol,

As Chair of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks, I respectfully invite you to testify at an oversight hearing scheduled for Friday, February 20, 2026, at 1:00 PM, at the Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Chamber on St. Croix.

This hearing will evaluate the progress and interagency coordination involved in the Paul E. Joseph Stadium project. The Committee is conducting a comprehensive review of the timeline, funding, and regulatory processes as the facility approaches its previously anticipated December 2025 completion.

Given the Department of Planning and Natural Resources' jurisdiction over permitting, environmental compliance, and land use, your testimony is essential to:

- Clarify the status of permitting and zoning reviews related to the project
- Identify any regulatory or environmental issues that have contributed to project delays
- Provide recommendations for improving coordination between agencies and project stakeholders

We kindly request that you submit written testimony and any supporting financial documentation no later than Wednesday, February 18, 2026.

We appreciate your leadership and ongoing service to the Virgin Islands. Please contact my office if you have any questions or need additional information.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angel Bolques, Jr." in a cursive style.

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