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Pastor Mona Barnes
New Life Senior Resort
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Re: Invitation to Testify – Aging with Dignity: Oversight of Nursing Homes and CMS Certification Readiness in the Virgin Islands

Dear Pastor Barnes,

As Chair of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, and Parks, I respectfully invite you to testify during Block I (10:00 AM – 1:00 PM) of the Committee hearing scheduled for Friday, March 20, 2026, at the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall on St. Thomas.

This oversight hearing, entitled “*Aging with Dignity: Oversight of Nursing Homes and CMS Certification Readiness in the Virgin Islands*,” will examine the operational conditions of nursing homes and long-term care facilities throughout the Territory, including New Life Senior Resort.

The Committee will assess quality of care, staffing adequacy, infrastructure conditions, regulatory compliance, financial sustainability, and progress toward CMS certification and federal Conditions of Participation.

Your testimony is important as we work to strengthen accountability, elevate care standards, and safeguard the health and dignity of our aging community.

Please submit written testimony at least 48 hours prior to the hearing. Should you require further information, please contact my office directly. I look forward to your participation in this important discussion.

Respectfully,

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

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