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VIA EMAIL - SenatorBolques@legvi.org

The Honorable Angel L. Bolques, Jr. Chairman, Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks 36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands Frits E. Lawaetz Legislative Chambers St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands

RE: Committee Hearing on "Expanding Youth Opportunities: Community Access, Workforce Development, Education & Equity"

Dear Senator Bolques:

Thank you for the invitation to testify before the Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks on behalf of the Superior Court Rising Stars Youth Steel Orchestra at the hearing scheduled for Friday, October 31, 2025.

We are honored that you thought to include the program as part of this important dialogue surrounding youth development, empowerment, and well-being. Unfortunately, due to prior scheduling commitments and the short notice of the invitation, we are unable to participate in this hearing.

The Superior Court Rising Stars Youth Steel Orchestra remains committed to the shared goal of promoting positive youth engagement through intervention, recreation, and mentorship. We appreciate the Committee's leadership in highlighting these critical issues and look forward to future opportunities to provide testimony and collaborate on initiatives that benefit the youth and families of the U. S. Virgin Islands.

Sincerely,

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