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36TH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS



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REVISED AGENDA I

TO: All Members, Committee on Government Operations, Veterans Affairs, and Consumer Protection

MEMBERS: Senator Ray Fonseca
Senator Alma Francis Heyliger
Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.
Senator Kenneth L. Gittens
Senator Franklin D. Johnson
Senator Carla J. Joseph

FROM: The Honorable Senator Avery L. Lewis 116
36th Legislature of the Virgin Islands

DATE: November 7, 2025

The Committee on Government Operations, Veterans Affairs, and Consumer Protection has scheduled a meeting for **Friday, November 14, 2025, at 9:00 AM** in the Earle B. Ottley Legislative Hall, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands to provide testimony on the following bills:

BLOCK I: 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

Bill No. 36-0052: An Act amending title 29, Virgin Islands Code, chapter 9, section 502, regarding advertising devices on private property *Proposed by Senator Carla J. Joseph*

INVITED TESTIFIER(S):

- Mr. Marcus Christian, Resident
- Mr. Roger B. Minkoff, Realtor
- Mr. Russell Pate, Esq., President, VI Bar Association
- Hon. Derek A. Gabriel, Commissioner, Department of Public Works

BLOCK II: 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Bill No. 36-0009: A Resolution honoring and commending Mr. Steven van Beverhoudt for his years of dedicated service and numerous contributions to the people of the Virgin Islands ***Proposed by Senator Milton E. Potter***

INVITED TESTIFIER(S):

- Ms. Delia Thomas, VI Inspector General, Office of the VI Inspector General
- Mrs. Bernice Turnbull, Retired Commissioner of The Department of Finance
- Ms. Marsha Dubois, Lead Auditor, Office of the Virgin Islands Inspector General

BLOCK III: 12:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Bill No. 36-0084: An Act honoring and commending Alva Alphonse Swan also known as “Coach Tumba” for his significant contributions to the sport of basketball in the Virgin Islands by bestowing upon him the Key to the Territory ***Proposed by Marvin A. Blyden***

INVITED TESTIFIER(S):

- Mr. Anselmo Frett, Resident
- Ms. Patricia Peets, Resident
- Mr. Ray Archibald, Resident
- Ms. Kamela Hughes, Resident
- Mr. Audi Henneman, Resident

Bill No. 36-0149: A resolution honoring and commending Janeisha John for her outstanding achievements, pioneering spirit, and significant contributions to the fields of entertainment, modeling, and television production, celebrating her role as a cultural ambassador, trailblazer, and inspirational leader of the Virgin Islands ***Proposed by Senator Angel L. Bolques, Jr.***

INVITED TESTIFIER(S):

- Ms. Jo’liza John (Younger Sister / Official DJ)
- Ms. Trinity Austrie (Best Friend / Environmental Engineer, CEO Tysam Tech, LLC)
- Mr. Jamal Drummond (Friend / Former Coach, Designer & Stylist)
- Ms. Aria Garcia (Designer / Stylist, House of Arega)
- Mr. Anil Bruce (Mentor / Former Executive Producer at WTJX, Rediscover St. Croix / Emmy Award Winning TV Producer)
- Dr. Elle Nielsen (Friend / Professor of Dance, UVI)
- Dr. Valrica Bryson, Ph.D. (Mentor / Former High School Band Teacher)
- Mr. Shamari Haynes (Associate/ Deputy Commissioner of Tourism)
- Mr. and Mrs. Griselle & Ben Mitchell (Mentors / Owners, former C-9 Modeling Agency)
- Mr. Shomari Moorhead (Friend / Entrepreneur / Community Leader)
- Mr. Renaldo Stevens aka Emcee Bogle (Associate / V.I. Emcee)
- Ms. Janella John (Older Sister)
- Ms. Claire Roker (Pageant Mentor)
- Mr. Dennis Liburd, Jr. aka Pumpa (Associate / International Soca Artist)

cc: All Senators
All Chiefs of Staff
All Divisions
Public Affairs