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May 5, 2025

VIA HAND-DELIVERY

Honorable Milton E. Potter
Senate President
Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands
Capitol Building
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00802

Re: Nomination of Mr. Erwin T. Raphael—University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park Board

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with the provisions of Title 17, Chapter 34 § 485 of the Virgin Islands Code, I hereby nominate Mr. Erwin T. Raphael to serve as a member of the University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park Board. Mr. Raphael is a dynamic and results-driven executive with nearly 30 years of experience leading high-impact initiatives in automotive manufacturing, quality, sales, service, logistics and corporate governance. Additionally, he has led organizations up to 45,000 people.

Accordingly, it is my pleasure to ask for the advice and consent of the Thirty-Sixth Legislature of the Virgin Islands on the nomination of Mr. Erwin T. Raphael. A copy of his resume is enclosed for your review. I respectfully urge the Legislature to take timely action to advance this nomination to prevent any delays in the official functions of the University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park Board.

Your prompt and favorable confirmation will enhance the University of the Virgin Islands Research and Technology Park Board to meet its demanding operations and the continued work to serve the people of the United States Virgin Islands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Albert Bryan Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

Albert Bryan Jr.
Governor
Enclosure

Cc: Senator Carla J. Joseph
Chair, Committee on Rules and Judiciary