



THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 475-2015

GOVERNOR OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

**ASSIGNMENT OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR
OVERSIGHT OF CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS,
PARKS & RECREATION**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11 of the Revised Organic Act of 1954, as amended, “[t]he Governor shall have general supervision and control of all departments, bureaus, agencies, and other instrumentalities of the executive branch of the Government of the Virgin Islands” and “[t]he Lieutenant Governor shall have such executive powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Governor . . .”; and

WHEREAS, the Lieutenant Governor possesses the knowledge, skills, abilities, and experience in the area of sports and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the assignment by the Governor to the Lieutenant Governor of responsibility and oversight of certain areas within the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation would utilize the knowledge, skills, abilities, and experience of the Lieutenant Governor and would improve efficiency and productivity in the executive branch of Government;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 11 of the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States of 1954, as amended, which provides that the Governor shall have the power to issue executive orders not in conflict with any applicable law, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Effective as of the date of this executive order, the Lieutenant Governor shall have responsibility on behalf of the Governor for the oversight of certain areas within the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation, to include:

- Sports and Recreation Facilities
- Sporting Activities
- Development of After-school Athletic programs and activities
- Olympic Sporting activities

- Athletic Training and Development programs
- Inter-island Sporting and Athletic events
- Development of a Fitness Program for Government Employees

Section 2. The Commissioner of the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation shall confer with the Lieutenant Governor, on the matters listed in Section 1 above, in the manner in which he has previously conferred with the Governor. In turn the Lieutenant Governor shall confer with the Governor concerning the matters listed in Section 1 above. Provided that where the Lieutenant Governor and the Commissioner of Sports, Parks & Recreation cannot reach agreement, such matters will be referred to the Governor for his final decision.

Section 3. This executive order shall in no way be construed as diminishing the authority of the Commissioner of the Department of Sports, Parks & Recreation.

Section 4. This executive order shall in no way be construed as in derogation of the Governor's ultimate supervision and control of all departments of the executive branch of the Government of the Virgin Islands or of any other powers assigned to him by law. Further, nothing in this executive order shall be construed as preventing the Governor from consulting with the Commissioner of Sports, Parks & Recreation on matters which he deems appropriate in carrying out his duties as Governor of the Virgin Islands nor shall it be construed as preventing the Commissioner of Sports, Parks & Recreation from consulting with the Governor on matters not listed in Section 1 of this executive order.

Section 5. Executive Order No. 258-1983 is hereby **REPEALED**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great Seal of the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States to be affixed at Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands, this 15th day of October, 2015 A.D.



Kenneth E. Mapp
Governor

ATTEST:

Osbert E. Potter
Lieutenant Governor