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Affairs*

*Housing, Sports
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The Honorable Neville James
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Dear Senator James,

Several things have transpired in recent days that leave me quite concerned about what can only be described as a nonchalant and disingenuous posture assumed by yourself and several other members of your Majority as it relates to issues that are of extreme importance to our constituents.

First, it is truly appalling that there are continued efforts to block a vote on the repeal of Act 6905. We had an opportunity to vote on this repeal when the Rules of the Legislature were suspended during last week's Special Session, however your Majority blocked all efforts to bring this matter forward. Given the history of this controversial measure, it is critical that, at the very least, the members of this body let the community know where they actually stand on this issue. Failing to do what is right, has become the trademark of your tenure in office. It was just a few weeks ago that you were among the Majority senators that voted against the complete audit of the Virgin Islands Legislature and, only last week, you were heard on local radio stating that you had no knowledge of the Governor's spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in improving his private residence, when you were among those with previous knowledge of his indiscretions. Do note that your attempts to distance yourself from the Governor at this juncture are ill-advised and transparent.

Further, I am equally disturbed by your procrastination regarding the subpoenas to be issued pursuant to the motion I made during the last meeting of your Committee. It has become quite apparent the current Majority, headed by yourself, intends to conceal information pertinent to this inquiry, just as you have worked to block both the audit of the Legislature and the repeal of Act 6905.

Sir, I urge you to rethink your commitment to the public you serve.

Sincerely,

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