

15 September 2022

The Honourable McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, MP Speaker of Parliament House of Parliament George Town, Grand Cayman Cayman Islands.

## **BY HAND**

Dear Speaker,

In light of the unfortunate incidents at the cocktail reception held on Tuesday evening last at the Ritz-Carlton, Grand Cayman, and considering your history of similar incidents, in respect of some of which you have existing convictions and an outstanding suspended sentence, this makes these latest incidents wholly intolerable. It is clear that your conduct is inconsistent with the integrity and decorum required of the Speaker of the House of Parliament of the Cayman Islands.

It is my strong view, a view shared by many, that it is now in the best interests of the people of the Cayman Islands if you were to tender your resignation as Speaker on or before 5pm September 23, 2022 as set out in Section 65. 2 (f) of the Constitution.

As Premier and Minister responsible for Gender Affairs, I will not look the other way or allow this matter to be swept under the rug. The time has come for men to hold each other accountable, especially for inappropriate conduct towards women.

I strongly believe that against this background, your resignation from the office of Speaker, would be the best course of action for your constituents and your family.

Yours Sincerely

G. Wayne Panton, JP, MP

Premier