



**THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS**  
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**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

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**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS**

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**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, October 2022 marks the 37th year recognizing National Breast Cancer Awareness Month; and

**WHEREAS**, one in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in their lifetime, and while cancer is not typically preventable, it is important to be proactive about health and regularly screen for cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month is to increase public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer, diagnosis, and treatment; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society continues to advise women to get an annual mammogram screening once they reach age 40; and

**WHEREAS**, during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month it is appropriate to recognize those who have lost their fight against breast cancer, those who have been successful in overcoming breast cancer, and stand with those who have lost loved ones to cancer, and to continue to support breast cancer awareness advocates; and

**WHEREAS**, it is appropriate to recognition and applause to breast cancer survivors.

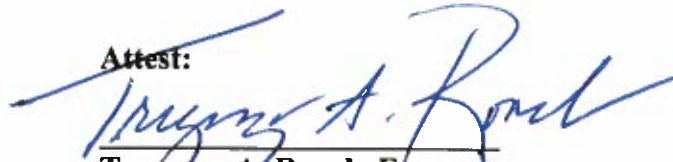
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Albert Bryan, Jr., Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, as amended, do hereby **proclaim the month of October** as "*Breast Cancer Awareness Month*" in the Virgin Islands. I encourage residents to join in activities that will increase awareness of what Virgin Islanders can do

to prevent and control breast cancer; recognize, hug and be grateful for those who have survived breast cancer; and pay tribute to those who have lost their lives to this disease. We applaud the advocates, medical professionals, researchers, and caregivers who dedicate their lives to making progress toward cures.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States to be affixed at Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands this 25 day of September, A.D. 2022.



  
**Albert Bryan, Jr.**  
**Governor**

**Attest:**  
  
**Tregenza A. Roach, Esq.**  
**Lieutenant Governor**