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WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

THE JADCO 10TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2019, 7:00 P.M. THE TERRA NOVA ALL-SUITE HOTEL

- HONORABLE OLIVIA GRANGE, CD, MP MINISTER OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT
- HONOURABLE ALANDO TERRELONGE, MP, MINISTER OF STATE, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, YOUTH AND INFORMATION
- MR. DENZIL THORPE, PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT AND OTHER SENIOR MEMBERS FROM THE MINISTRY
- MR ELON THOMPSON, REPRESENTING THE PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY
 OF EDUCATION, YOUTH AND INFORMATION
- MR. ALEXANDER WILLIAMS CHAIRMAN OF THE JAMAICA ANTI-DOPING COMMISSION AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE JADCO BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- MEMBERS OF THE ANTI-DOPING APPEAL TRIBUNAL
- MEMBERS OF THE INDEPENDENT ANTI-DOPING DISCIPLINARY PANEL
- MEMBERS OF THE THERAPUTIC USE EXEMPTION COMMITTEE
- DR. AKSHAI MANSINGH, GUEST SPEAKER AND DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF SPORT, UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES, MONA
- DR. KAMILAH HYLTON, DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND SPORT, UNIVERISTY OF TECHNOLOGY, JAMAICA

- DR. ELON THOMPSON, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA MEDICAL DOCTORS'
 ASSOCIATION
- HEADS OF AGENCIES
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SPORTS FEDERATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, CLUBS AND OTHER PARTNER AGENCIES
- ATHLETES
- MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA
- DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOOD EVENING.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU ALL PRESENT AT OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY. THIS EVENT MARKS A HISTORICAL MOMENT FOR JADCO AS THIS IS THE FIRST OF ITS KIND; SECONDLY WE ARE RECOGNISING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THIRDLY, WE ALSO RECOGNISE OUR PARTNERS, CLUBS, FEDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS.

IT WAS AN AMERICAN ACTIVIST AND AUTHOR HELEN KELLER, WHO POSITS,

"ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH."

THE COMMISSION IS AWARE THAT KEEPING SPORT CLEAN REQUIRES COLLABORATION WITH ALL OUR STAKEHOLDERS. THIS DICTUM EPITOMIZES JADCO'S APPROACH AS WE CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH ATHLETES, THEIR SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND OTHER AGENCIES TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS. OUR CELEBRATION THIS EVENING IS BEING HELD UNDER THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY THEME, "KEEPING SPORT CLEAN, FORGING BETTER PARTNERSHIPS". JADCO CELEBRATING TEN YEARS IS A MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR THE COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA.

IN RECOGNITION OF THIS MILESTONE, THROUGHOUT 2018 WE HOSTED SEVERAL COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES:

- A CHURCH SERVICE AT THE SAINT ANDREW'S SCOTS KIRK UNITED CHURCH ON SUNDAY, JULY 22.
- A DECENNIAL GALA HELD HERE AT TERRA NOVA ALL-SUITE HOTEL ON THE DAY OF OUR ANNIVERSARY, WEDNESDAY, JULY 25.
- IN OCTOBER WE HOSTED THE 2018 SERIES OF JUNIOR ATHLETES ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION WORKSHOPS, IN FOUR REGIONS ACROSS THE ISLAND WHERE THE 2018-2019 JADCO JINGLE COMPETITION WAS LAUNCHED.
- THE SENIOR ATHLETES ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION WORKSHOP WAS HELD ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17.
- THE 2019 JADCO SYMPOSIUM HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 WHERE THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT, THE HONOURABLE OLIVA GRANGE ANNOUNCED THE GOVERNMENT'S COMMITMENT TO THE FIGHT AGAINST DOPING IN SPORT WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL ANTI-DOPING COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE.

RICK WARREN, ONCE SAID AND I QUOTE,

"TRANSFORMATION IS A PROCESS, AND AS LIFE HAPPENS THERE ARE TONS OF UPS AND DOWNS. IT'S A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY - THERE ARE MOMENTS ON MOUNTAINTOPS AND MOMENTS IN DEEP VALLEYS OF DESPAIR."

I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED US ON OUR JOURNEY. HOWEVER, IT IS MOST APPROPRIATE THAT THIS EVENING, WE CLOSE THE CURTAINS ON OUR 10^{TH} ANNIVERSARY YEARLONG CELEBRATIONS WITH A BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY.

AS MASLOW'S HIERARCHY OF NEEDS SPEAKS TO SELF ACTUALIZATION AND RECOGNITION; THE ACHIEVING OF ONE'S FULL POTENTIAL. THE COMMISSION DECIDED TO END THE CELEBRATIONS WITH A BANG! AS A RESULT, TONIGHT WE ARE HOSTING

THIS ELABORATE EVENT TO RECOGNISE THE COMMISSION'S OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES, OUR SUPPORTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AS WELL AS THE CLUBS, FEDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS. PRESENTING THE AWARDS IS A WAY OF ENCOURAGING HIGH STANDARDS OF WORK, PROMOTING GOOD CONDUCT, BOOSTING STAFF MORALE AND FOSTERING PARTNERSHIPS. THIS EVENING'S PROCEEDINGS WILL SET THE PRECEDENCE FOR YEARS TO COME AS THE JADCO TEAM CONTINUES TO STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE.

I WANT TO THANK ALL MEMBERS OF STAFF AND PARTNERS FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE FIGHT AGAINST DOPING IN SPORT. I AM ESPECIALLY EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE, WORKER OF THE YEAR AND RUNNERS UP.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE ONCE SAID,

"A SMALL CHEER AND A GREAT WELCOME MAKES A MERRY FEAST."

ON THAT NOTE, LET ME EXTEND WELCOME TO OUR SPECIALLY INVITED GUESTS:

- HONORABLE OLIVIA GRANGE, MINISTER OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT (MCGES), CD, MP
- HONOURABLE ALANDO TERRELONGE, STATE MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, YOUTH AND INFORMATION, MP
- MR. DENZIL THORPE, PERMANENT SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT
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- MEMBERS OF THE ANTI-DOPING APPEAL TRIBUNAL AND THEIR PARTNERS
- DR. KAMILAH HYLTON, DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND SPORT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY IAMAICA

OTHER AGENCIES REPRESENTED HERE:

- SENIOR DIRECTORS IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, GENDER, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORT
- MR. TERRENCE WILLIAMS, CEO OF THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION OF INVESTIGATIONS (INDECOM)
- DR. ELON THOMPSON, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA MEDICAL DOCTORS' ASSOCIATION AND HIS TEAM
- MRS. DAVIA MOORE-GORDON, ACTING PRINCIPAL AT THE RANDOLPH LOPEZ
 SCHOOL OF HOPE
- MR. SHANE DALLING, CEO AT THE FIREARM LICENSING AUTHORITY
- MS. BEVERLEY LASHLEY, CEO OF THE NATIONAL LIBRARY OF JAMAICA
- MR. KEITH CAMPBELL, CEO AT THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION OF JAMAICA
- MR. MICHAEL TUCKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DRUG ABUSE AND MRS. TUCKER
- MR. LINCOLN ALLEN, CEO AT THE CANNABIS LICENSING AUTHORITY AND MRS. ALLEN.
- MR. VIVIAN CRAWFORD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE INSTITUTE OF JAMAICA
- MRS. SHARON COBURN ROBINSON, ACTING SENIOR DIRECTOR AT THE BUREAU OF GENDER AFFAIRS
- MR. RENARDO SMITH, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR AT INSPORT OF JAMAICA
- MR. DENZIL WILKS, GENERAL MANAGER AT THE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

- DAFFODIL THOMPSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, JAMAICA CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (JCDC)
- LATOYA RATTRAY, REPRESENTATING THE WOMEN'S CENTRE OF JAMAICA FOUNDATION
- KENROY WHILBY, REPRESENTING THE DIRECTOR OF JAMAICA ARCHIVES AND RECORDS DEPARTMENT
- MR. DESMOND BROWN, GENERAL MANAGER, IPL AND MRS. BROWN
- MS. DOROTHY LIGHTBURN, FORMER MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL
- KAREN ROBOTHAM, FINANCE DIRECTOR AT CREATIVE PRODUCTION & TRAINING CENTRE (CPTC)
- MR. DANVILLE DAVIDSON, FROM THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY

TO OUR ESTEEMED SPORTING CLUBS, FEDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS:

- MR. CHRISTOPHER SAMUDA, PRESIDENT OF THE JAMAICA OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION
- HON. GLEN MILLS OD, HEAD COACH OF THE RACERS TRACK CLUB
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SPRINTEC TRACK CLUB
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MVP TRACK AND FIELD CLUB
- REPRESENTATIVES OF TABLE TENNIS JAMAICA
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA PARALYMPIC ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA DARTS ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA FOOTBALL FEDERATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WEST INDIES PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PREMIER LEAGUE CLUB ASSOCIATION OF JAMAICA
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA TRIATHLON FEDERATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA TAE-KWONDO ACADEMY/FEDERATION

- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA TAE-KWONDO FEDERATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA HOCKEY FEDERATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA BODY BUILDING AND FITNESS ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA BOXING BOARD OF CONTROL
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NETBALL JAMAICA
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA BADMINTON ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA RIFLE ASSOCIATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMAICA CHEER FEDERATION
- REPRESENTATIVES OF JAMAICA AMATUER GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, ON BEHALF OF THE MANAGEMENT AND STAFF OF JAMAICA ANTI-DOPING COMMISSION, I WISH TO GIVE A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER, DR. AKSHAI MANSINGH, DEAN, FACULTY OF SPORT - UWI.

AS JADCO CONTINUES TO PLAY ITS PART IN KEEPING SPORT CLEAN, WE URGE YOU ALL TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE COMMISSION'S FIGHT AGAINST DOPING IN SPORT.

AS STATED BY KING SOLOMON, IN THE BOOK OF ECCLESIASTES,

"TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER THE HEAVEN."

THIS EVENING IS THE TIME TO CELEBRATE AND HONOR JADCO'S STAFF MEMBERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE SPORTING CLUBS, FEDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS. AGAIN, WELCOME, SIT BACK AND ENJOY THE ELEGANCE OF THE EVENING, AND OUR FAVOURITE LADY OF COMEDY THE HON. LOUISE BENNETT-COVERLEY WOULD SAY "HAVE A BOONUNUNUS TIME."

I THANK YOU.