



5th November, 2021

Celeste Connors
Executive Director Executive Director
Hawai'i Local2030 Hub

Kate Brown
Executive Director
Global Island Partnership

Dear Mrs. Connors and Mrs. Brown:

RE: INVITATION TO JOIN THE LOCAL2030 ISLANDS NETWORK

I would like to thank you for you the very kind invitation for the British Virgin Islands to join the Local2030 Islands Network. I enthusiastically accept on behalf of the British Virgin Islands. My Administration has made sustainable development a top priority and is developing a National Sustainable Development Plan with the support of the United Nations (UN) to help us achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030. As a small jurisdiction, we are implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the local level which is the most applicable level for a society of our size and context. The British Virgin Islands would be very keen to share our experiences in terms of best practices and policy solutions to advance sustainable development.

The Premier's Office will be the British Virgin Islands' focal point for the Local2030 Islands Network. In this regard, the following officials should be contacted directly for any specific matters:

Dr. Carolyn O'Neal-Morton, Permanent Secretary in the Premier's Office

Mr. Benito Wheatle , Special Envoy of the Premier

Should representation or advocacy be needed at the Head of Government/Political Leader level, I stand ready to support the Local2030 Islands Network.

You have the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Hon. Andrew A. Fahie
Premier and Minister of Finance

cc: Dr. Carolyn O'Neal-Morton, Permanent Secretary, Premier's Office
Mr. Benito Wheatley, Special Envoy of the Premier