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**STATEMENT FROM THE HON. MARIO K. BOWLEG, MP
MINISTER OF YOUTH & SPORTS
ON THE PASSING OF FORMER MINISTER NEVILLE WISDOM**

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I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of former Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture, the Hon. Neville Wisdom.

Mr. Wisdom was a dedicated public servant and a man who understood the tremendous value of investing in our young people, our athletes and our national culture. During his tenure as Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture from 2002 to 2007, he helped advance the development of sports in The Bahamas, supported our cultural institutions and remained a strong advocate for Bahamian youth.

As the Minister now entrusted with responsibility for Youth and Sports, I have a special appreciation for the work of those who served before me. Mr. Wisdom's contributions helped strengthen the foundation upon which we continue to build today.

Beyond the offices he held, he will be remembered for his love of country, his commitment to service and his belief in the potential of the Bahamian people.

On behalf of my family, the executives and staff of the Ministry of Youth & Sports, I extend heartfelt condolences to Manita Wisdom and the entire Wisdom family, loved ones, friends and colleagues during this difficult time.

The Bahamas has lost a dedicated nation-builder, but Neville Wisdom's contribution to Youth, Sports and Culture will remain a meaningful part of his legacy.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.

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