

# ACT NO. 9096

BILL NO. 36-0149

## THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

### Regular Session

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An act honoring and commending Janeisha John for her outstanding achievements, pioneering spirit, and significant contributions to the fields of entertainment, modeling, and television production, celebrating her role as a cultural ambassador, trailblazer, and inspirational leader of the Virgin Islands

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**WHEREAS**, Janeisha John was born on December 3, 1987, the third child of Josephat John and Liz Torres, founders of Centerline Bakery in Frederiksted, and was raised on St. Croix, along with her three siblings, Jermaine, Janella, and Jo'liza (aka DJ Mojo);

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John grew up in a vibrant environment enriched with business and the arts, where she developed a profound passion for entertainment and entrepreneurship from a very young age, laying the foundation for her future career;

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John began dancing at the age of four and her love for dance and music led her to Music in Motion, a local dance school, where for over 12 years, she honed her skills as a dancer;

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John learned to play the alto and soprano saxophones at the Arthur A. Richards Junior High School, showcasing her dedication and versatility in the arts;

**WHEREAS**, in 2005, Ms. John graduated from the St. Croix Educational Complex with honors and in the top 20 of the graduating class; she was also the class president and captain of the SCEC dance squad, demonstrating leadership and academic excellence;

**WHEREAS**, in May 2009, Ms. John received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing from the University of the Virgin Islands, underscoring her commitment to education and professional development;

**WHEREAS**, in December 2004, Ms. John began her pageant career as 1st Runner-up in the Miss St. Croix pageant and on May 19, 2007, she won the title of Miss US Virgin Islands America, representing the Virgin Islands at the Miss America pageant in January 2008;

**WHEREAS**, in July 2010, she was crowned Miss US Virgin Islands Universe and in August 2010, she competed in the Miss Universe pageant, earning distinction as an international ambassador for the Virgin Islands;

**WHEREAS**, in October 2010, Ms. John signed with Clientele Management, a modeling agency in New York, and in November 2010, she hosted with TEMPO Networks, enhancing her media presence;

**WHEREAS**, from 2009 to 2013, she served as the host of “Rediscover St. Croix - US Virgin Islands” on WTJX-Channel 12, promoting local culture and tourism;

**WHEREAS**, in April 2013, after gaining regional acclaim, she moved to Hollywood, California, where she pursued a professional career in entertainment and modeling;

**WHEREAS**, from June 2015 to 2017, she hosted and contributed to platforms such as AfterBuzz TV and Black Hollywood Live, and has worked with major entertainment networks including BET and CBS;

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John appeared in several music videos and commercial campaigns including productions for Daddy Yankee (2009), Nick Cannon (2013), 2 Chainz & Pharrell (2013), Wale ft. Usher (2015), and companies such as Microsoft, Verizon, and Target;

**WHEREAS**, she has been featured in publications such as Ellements Magazine (2022), Caribbean POSH (2022), Cruzan Gold Magazine (2023), Playboy Denmark (2023), L’Officiel India (2024), and in June 2024, she walked in Paris Haute Couture Fashion Week;

**WHEREAS**, in June 2023, she served as Hollywood Carnival Queen and in June 2024, she received the ICON Award at the Caribbean Posh Woman Icon Awards;

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John has been a guest speaker at prominent events including the Level Up Conference on July 2, 2022, and on November 2024, she spoke at the International Women of Power/Heirs of Africa;

**WHEREAS**, through her ongoing appearances in reality series such as “Joseline’s Cabaret” (2020–2025), “Baddies” (2021–2025), “Bad Boys” (2022), and her current contributions as a creative producer, Ms. John continues to elevate the profile of Virgin Islanders in international media;

**WHEREAS**, in January 2023, Ms. John facilitated a Zeus Network production’s visit to St. Croix, promoting the territory as a destination for film and entertainment; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. John’s work as a cultural ambassador, entrepreneur, and inspirational figure reflects a continued commitment to empowering the youth of the Virgin Islands through visibility, representation, and creative leadership; Now, Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands:*

**SECTION 1.** The Legislature of the Virgin Islands, on behalf of the people of the Virgin Islands, honors and commends Janeisha John for her achievements, contributions to media, modeling, and cultural representation, and for her role as a distinguished ambassador of the Virgin Islands.

**SECTION 2.** The Legislature encourages the Department of Tourism and the Virgin Islands Cultural Heritage Institute to collaborate with Ms. John in future initiatives that promote Virgin Islands talent and culture abroad.

**SECTION 3.** Pursuant to title 1 Virgin Islands Code, section 103a (b), and in recognition and appreciation of her outstanding achievements and her contributions to the Virgin Islands community, the President of the Legislature, or the President’s designee, shall present Janeisha John with the Official Key to the Virgin Islands and shall prepare and present a perma plaque copy of this act to Janeisha John at an appropriate ceremony held for that purpose.

Thus passed by the Legislature of the Virgin Islands on May 28, 2026.

Witness our Hands and Seal of the Legislature of the Virgin Islands this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, A.D., 2026.



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Milton E. Potter  
President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Avery L. Lewis".

Avery L. Lewis  
Secretary



**Bill No. 36- 0149 is hereby approved.**

**Witness my hand and the Seal of the Government of  
the United States Virgin Islands at Charlotte Amalie,  
St. Thomas, This 9 day of June, 2026 A.D.**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Albert Bryan Jr.", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

**Albert Bryan Jr.  
Governor**