

MESSAGE FROM THE HON. CHARLES T. MAYNARD, MP
MINISTER OF YOUTH, SPORTS & CULTURE



I am pleased to welcome you to the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture's website.

The Government of The Bahamas believes that Youth, Sports, Culture and Heritage are all critical components of national development. We have demonstrated our commitment to this time and time again by increasing direct funding and introducing new programmes in these vital areas.

The team at The Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture views this as a tremendous responsibility, and does not take it lightly. As such, our focus is clearly and unwaveringly on those programmes and partnerships that will promote and celebrate the positive development of our young people. In today's turbulent world, it is imperative that more and more attention be paid to youth development, if we are to secure a bright future for our country.

It is also our firm belief that Sports and Culture are integral components of any overall programme intended to contribute to the growth and advancement of a nation. The Bahamas is blessed with immeasurable talent in both of these areas and, over the years, we have certainly made our mark internationally. The potential for further development continues to be great.

Additionally, as a part of our mandate we have The Department of Archives, The Antiquities Monuments and Museums Corporation and Clifton Heritage Authority, which are all related to the heritage of our Nation.

There are so many positive things that we do every day along with our partners across the spectrum. We pledge our tireless efforts to promote these areas of national development in our area of responsibility. We invite you to browse the site, learn more about our programmes, and **"GET INVOLVED"** as we work toward building a better Bahamas.

The Hon. Charles T. Maynard, MP
Minister of Youth, Sports and Culture

