

Parliament of the Cayman Islands

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION NO. 4/2023-2024

Supporting Caymanians into Full-Time Employment

WHEREAS the National Community Enhancement Project (NiCE) has operated for several years, providing short periods of paid employment for Caymanians and spouses of Caymanians;

AND WHEREAS the Fall 2022 Labour Force Survey found that nearly half (48.8%) of unemployed Caymanians had been out of work for over a year;

AND WHEREAS the Fall 2022 Labour Force Survey found that 5.1% of Caymanians are underemployed in the workforce;

AND WHEREAS the Fall 2022 Labour Force Survey found labour force participation rates lowest among those with no educational attainment (38.9%) and those with only primary and below levels of attainment (54.3%);

AND WHEREAS the Cayman Islands Beautification Task Force has made little progress in its mission to keep the Cayman Islands 'Clean and Green';

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Government considers creating a full-time National Community Enhancement Project to give meaningful employment and work experience to Caymanians experiencing long-term unemployment or finding it difficult to access the labour market.

Moved By: Mr. Joseph Hew, MP

Elected Member for George Town North

Seconded By: Hon. Sir Alden, KCMG, MBE, KC, JP, MP

Elected Member for Red Bay

Received in the Office of the Clerk this 11th day of September, 2023.

Passed/Rejected by the Parliament of the Cayman Islands this day of 2023.