



**Ministry of
District Administration
& Home Affairs**

Cayman Islands Government

Statement in relation to an Exceptional Circumstance Appropriation:

Sister Islands Community Programmes

**By the Honourable Nickolas DaCosta, JP, MP
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STATEMENT

Mister Speaker,

I wish to make a statement to this Honourable House regarding an exceptional circumstance appropriation approved by Cabinet pursuant to sections 11(5) and 11(6) of the Public Management and Finance Act (2020 Revision).

Mister Speaker, the Ministry delivers a number of programmes that support the communities of Cayman Brac and Little Cayman, including assistance to vulnerable homeowners, community initiatives and events, and the maintenance of public parks.

During the 2025 financial year, several appropriations within the Ministry required additional funding to meet operational commitments and outstanding expenditure. These pressures arose primarily from higher-than-anticipated demand under the Sister Islands Home Repairs and Hurricane Shutters Assistance Programme, additional initiatives under Sister Islands Community Projects, and increased costs associated with the maintenance of public parks in Cayman Brac.

These expenditure pressures could not reasonably have been anticipated at the time the Appropriation Law was enacted and required additional expenditure to

ensure the continued delivery of important community programmes and services in the Sister Islands.

Mister Speaker, on 29 December 2025 Cabinet approved, pursuant to section 11(5) of the Act, the reallocation of appropriations in the amount of CI\$390,000 as follows —

1. A reduction of EI 93 – Capital Acquisitions for the Ministry of District Administration and Home Affairs by CI\$390,000;
2. An increase of TP 66 – Sister Islands Home Repairs and Hurricane Shutters Assistance Programme by CI\$75,000;
3. An increase of TP 101 – Sister Islands Community Projects by CI\$140,000;
and
4. An increase of EA 167 – Cayman Brac Public Parks by CI\$175,000.

Mister Speaker, the Ministry of Finance confirmed at the time that this appropriation change would not result in any non-compliance with the Principles of Responsible Financial Management.

Thank you, Mister Speaker.