Parliament of the Cayman Islands

PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION NO. 21 of 2026-2027

Motion to amend the Traffic Act (2026 Revision) to regulate works on Primary Arterial Roads

WHEREAS the residents on the Eastern side of Grand Cayman continue to experience significant traffic delays that impact their quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009 (as amended), (the Cayman Constitution) affirms our commitment to being a country that practises honest and open dialogue to ensure mutual understanding and social harmony as well as being committed to the democratic values of human dignity, equality and freedom;

AND WHEREAS the Traffic Act (2026 Revision) regulates the use of public roads in the Cayman Islands, including conduct at and around road works;

AND WHEREAS Primary Arterial Roads, as classified under the Roads Act (2005 Revision), carry the highest volumes of traffic and are essential to the movement of residents, businesses and emergency services;

AND WHEREAS there have been several incidents where road works were carried out late into peak travel periods, causing major traffic delays and significant disruption to the public;

AND WHEREAS the current legal framework does not require that works on Primary Arterial Roads be approved at the highest level of Government, nor does it provide a clear process for approving works in an emergency;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Government considers amending the Traffic Act (2026 Revision) to provide that any closure or works to be carried out on a road classified as a Primary Arterial Road under the Roads Act (2005 Revision) shall require the prior approval of the Minister responsible for Roads.

Moved By: Christopher S. Saunders, JP, MP
Elected Member for Bodden Town West

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Elected Member for Bodden Town East

Received in the Office of the Clerk this 2nd day of November, 2026.

Passed/Rejected by the Parliament of the Cayman Islands this day of 2026.

Clerk of the Parliament