

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS AND  
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**BILL NO. 35-0077**

**Thirty-Fifth Legislature of the Virgin Islands**

**May 3, 2023**

An Act approving the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement and St. Thomas Rescue, Inc., Parcel No. 146 Revised Submarine Base No. 6, Southwest Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of a one-story building, on approximately 0.1899 U.S. acres of improved land more-or-less, zoned P, for the purpose of operating a long-term headquarters for all rescue related activities of the Lessee, and for other related purposes

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**PROPOSED BY:** Senator Novelle E. Francis, Jr.

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1       **WHEREAS**, on February 28, 2023, the Governor of the Virgin Islands approved the lease  
2 agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands and St. Thomas Rescue, Inc.;

3       **WHEREAS**, St. Thomas Rescue, Inc. will be leasing Parcel No. 146 Revised Submarine  
4 Base No. 6, Southwest Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of a one-story building,  
5 on approximately 0.1899 U.S. acres of improved land more-or-less, zoned P. The leased land  
6 and two-story building will be used for the purpose of operating a long-term headquarters for  
7 all rescue related activities of the Lessee, and for other related purposes, and for other related  
8 purposes;

9       **WHEREAS**, the rent will be \$1,200, per annum, payable in equal monthly installments  
10 of \$120; and

1 **WHEREAS**, title 31 Virgin Islands Code, chapter 21, section 205, subsection (c)  
2 provides that in addition to the Governor’s approval of any lease, the Legislature of the Virgin  
3 Islands must approve all leases exceeding a term of one year; Now, Therefore,

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Pursuant to title 31 Virgin Islands Code, section 205, subsection (c), the  
6 Legislature of the Virgin Islands approves the lease agreement between the Government of the  
7 Virgin Islands, acting through its Commissioner of the Virgin Islands Department of Property  
8 and Procurement and St. Thomas Rescue, Inc. for Parcel No. 146 Revised Submarine Base No.  
9 6, Southwest Quarter, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, consisting of a one-story building, on  
10 approximately 0.1899 U.S. acres of improved land more-or-less, for a term of 20 years with  
11 the annual rent of \$1,200, for the purpose of operating a long-term headquarters for all rescue  
12 related activities of the Lessee, and for other related purposes, and for other related purposes.

13 **BILL SUMMARY**

14 This bill approves the lease agreement between the Government of the Virgin Islands  
15 and St. Thomas Rescue, Inc.

16 **BR23-0437/March 13, 2023/PFA**