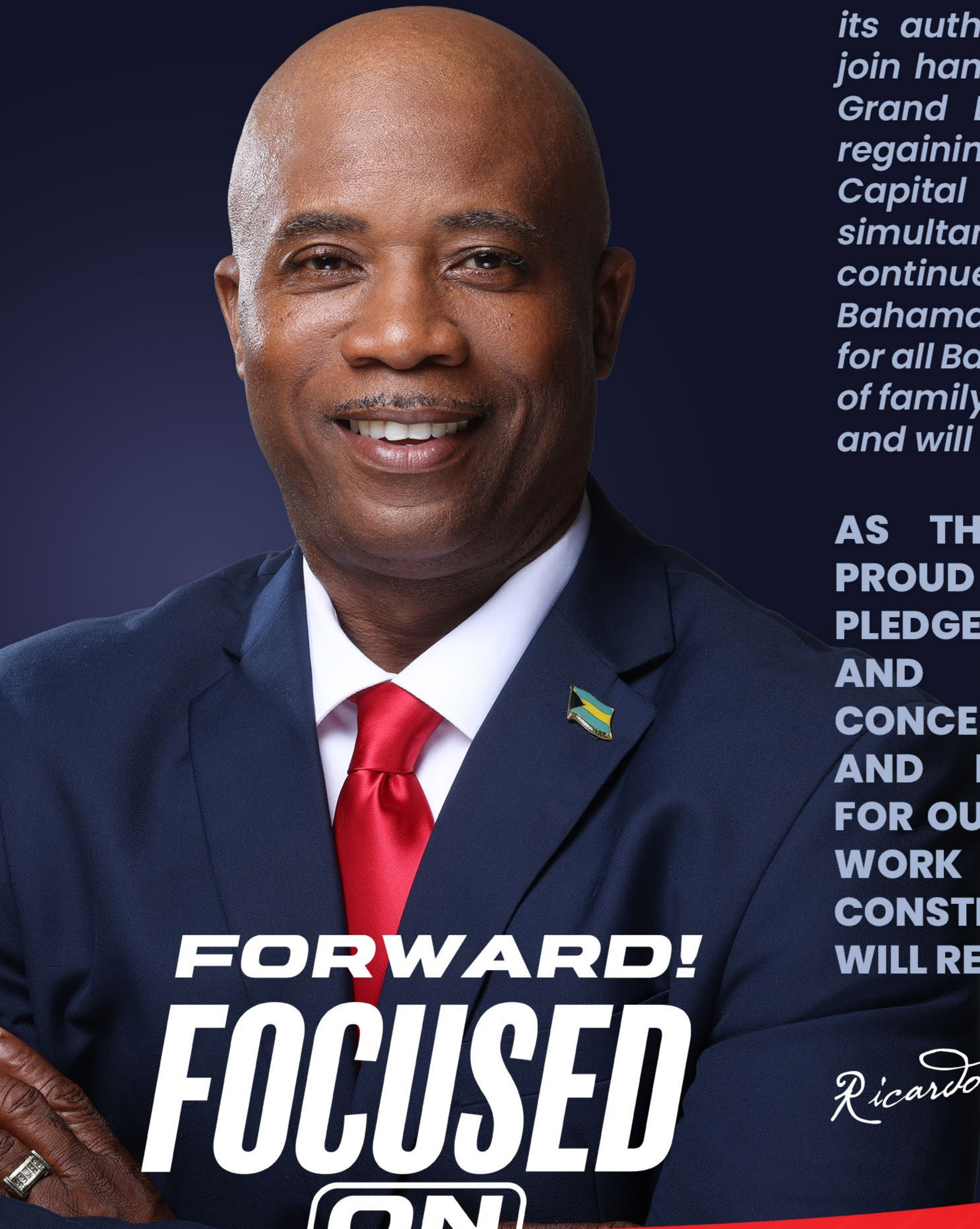




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*I believe in West Grand Bahama & Bimini and its ability to develop into an extraordinary space consisting of a busy commercial sector and cultural village, while maintaining its authentic charm. My aim is to join hands with constituents of West Grand Bahama and work towards regaining our prominence as the Capital of Grand Bahama, while simultaneously ensuring that Bimini continues to shine as the Gateway of the Bahamas. The creation of opportunities for all Bahamians and the strengthening of family values are essential to our lives and will be my priority.*

**AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF A PROUD AND TALENTED PEOPLE, I PLEDGE TO BE A FIERCE ADVOCATE AND STRONG VOICE RAISING CONCERNS, IDENTIFYING NEEDS AND IMPLEMENTING SOLUTIONS FOR OUR PEOPLE. EVERY DAY I WILL WORK TIRELESSLY TO MOVE OUR CONSTITUENCY **FORWARD** AND WILL REMAIN **FOCUSED ON YOU!****

*Ricardo Grant*

**FORWARD!**  
**FOCUSED**  
**ON**

**YOU**

**WEST GRAND BAHAMA & BIMINI**





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## ***FOCUSED ON THE ENVIRONMENT***

- Prioritize the construction of sea walls, stronger building codes, a multi-purpose hurricane shelter and renewable energy systems.
- Install solar streetlights constituency-wide.
- Improve the collection & disposal of garbage.
- Emphasize cleanups, the planting of fruit-bearing trees along designated roadsides and the establishment of community gardens / produce exchanges.

## ***FOCUSED ON SPORTS & YOUTH***

- Fiercely advocate for the construction of a world-class, multi-purpose sports complex in West Grand Bahama to aide the development of a new generation of athletes.
- Construct a Community Center in Bimini where programs will be organized for the youth and senior citizens.

## ***FOCUSED ON COMMUNITY***

- Build a strong social safety net to support our community's most vulnerable.
- Upgrade feeding programs and initiatives to promote food security.
- Construct a Housing Shelter for victims of domestic violence and for other persons in need of emergency housing.
- Develop affordable housing projects.
- Help residents readily access all NIB, Social Services and other Government benefits.
- Upgrade community clinics in Bimini.
- Identify and maintain fire hydrants and secure emergency medical service and fire truck vehicles for permanent use in West Grand Bahama.
- Introduce programs that promote safer communities.
- Invest in museums and a remembrance garden to preserve our community's heritage, and ensure that all historical sites are identifiable.
- Re-establish homecomings and community festivals that can provide wholesome family activity and a boost to the local economy, such as the TCI Heritage Festival, Seagrape Homecoming Festival and sporting jamborees.

## **FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

- Prioritize access to banking and financial institutions, which are critical to our community's growth and development.
- Work with stakeholders to reintroduce a commercial bank or credit union in West Grand Bahama and help residents take advantage of mobile and other financial services.
- Seek to establish a branch of the Chamber of Commerce to address the needs of small and medium-sized enterprises.
- Establish a skills bank for skilled and semi-skilled worker to be used as a source for job placement.
- Provide advisory services to our entrepreneurs, particularly in the areas of developing business plans and accessing capital.
- Prepare a masterplan for the redevelopment of waterfront properties such as upgrades to the Fish-fry in Eight Mile Rock, the construction of promenades and walking paths with stores and spaces for artisans to create a wide range of job and entrepreneurial opportunities.
- Support those who build and develop Airbnb facilities and boutique hotels to benefit from the reemergence of the heritage and tourism industry.

## **FOCUSED ON EDUCATION**

- Advocate for the completion of the Holmes Rock Junior High School and the construction of new schools, in particular a new primary school in Bimini.
- Focus on increasing the complement of teachers in Bimini.
- Introduce increased learning opportunities for vocational and technical training and establish a viable apprenticeship program.

## **FOCUSED ON INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Advocate for the reopening of the West End Airport for commercial aircraft.
- Begin dialogue on a harbour in West Grand Bahama to increase visitor arrivals.
- Prioritize the establishment of a state-of-the-art fire station and water plant. Fast track road works, sidewalks and upgrades to our drainage system.



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