



THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER & MINISTER OF TOURISM, AVIATION & INVESTMENTS, **THE HONOURABLE. I. CHESTER COOPER**

Deputy Prime Minister **The Honourable I. Chester Cooper** was appointed Bahamas Minister of Tourism, Aviation and Investments on September 17th, 2021. He acknowledges that all of our core business [in The Bahamas] is driven by the international community and that understanding of the international context of business is absolutely critical to the socioeconomic growth of The Ministry of Tourism, Aviation and Investments.

Minister Cooper is the youngest of 12 and is married to Cecelia Cooper. They are the proud parents of three children. His early struggles pushed him to be courageous, resilient and humble; qualities which served him well as he climbed the corporate ladder to become Chairman & CEO of BAF Global Group and President & CEO of BAF Financial & Insurance (Bahamas) Ltd.

He was the inaugural Chairman of the Insurance Advisory Committee and founding Director of the Bahamas Venture Fund. He is a member of Young Presidents Organization (YPO), a Distinguished Toastmaster and serves on various private sector Boards. Deputy Prime Minister Chester Cooper is the Deputy Leader of the PLP and the Member of Parliament for the Exumas and Ragged Island constituency.

ABOUT THE BAHAMAS

The islands of The Bahamas have a place in the sun for everyone. Each island has its own personality and attractions for a variety of vacation styles with some of the world's best scuba diving, fishing, sailing, boating, as well as shopping and dining. The destination offers an easily accessible tropical getaway and provides convenience for travelers with preclearance through U.S. customs and immigration, and the Bahamian dollar is on par with the U.S. Dollar. Do everything or do nothing, just remember *It's Better in the Bahamas*. For more information call 1-800-Bahamas or visit www.bahamas.com or look for The Bahamas on the web on Facebook, Twitter and Youtube.

