

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER &

MINISTER OF TOURISM, INVESTMENTS & AVIATION

THE HONOURABLE. I. CHESTER COOPER

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

Minister Cooper 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.

