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Office of the Governor and Sports, Parks and Recreation Hosting "Aliyah Boston Day" Celebration on June 4

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS — The Office of the Governor and the Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation are hosting a hometown celebration on Saturday, June 4, for NCAA Women's Basketball star Aliyah Boston with a sign unveiling at King Airport, a parade down Veterans Drive and short congratulatory ceremony at the Waterfront Promenade.

The St. Thomas native and national champion front court All-Star for the NCAA Women's Basketball National Champion South Carolina Gamecocks also will be conducting basketball camps for female basketball players from both districts while she is visiting the USVI.

The day begins with a sign-unveiling at 10 a.m. at King Airport on St. Thomas, which will be followed with a parade that leaves at 11:30 a.m. from the Emile Griffith Ball Park down Veterans Drive to the Promenade on the Waterfront Apron across from the Alexander Farrelly Justice Center.

There will be a brief congratulatory ceremony at the Promenade featuring remarks by Governor Albert Bryan Jr.

Among a slew of accolades and awards, Aliyah is:

- SEC Player of the Year (2022)
- Naismith College Player of the Year (2022)
- Naismith Defensive Player of the Year (2022)
- Associated Press Women's College Basketball Player of the Year (2022)

- Wade Trophy (2022)
- USBWA Women's National Player of the Year (2022)
- John R. Wooden Award (2022)
- NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player (2022)

Aliyah recently signed a deal with Under Armour, a leading inventor, marketer and distributor of branded athletic performance apparel, footwear and accessories. Together they will host the first-ever Aliyah Boston Camp Powered by UA Nextin St. Thomas on June 10th, 2022. Fifty V.I. girls, 25 in each district, will participate in the basketball camp that is coming to the island as part of UA's commitment to breaking down barriers that limit access to sport by increasing opportunities for youth athletes to compete.

Aliyah was born in St. Thomas and has lived with her aunt in Worcester, Massachusetts, since she was 12. She is the daughter of Cleone Boston and Algernon Boston, and has one sister, Alexis Boston.

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