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AN EVENING OF APPRECIATION FOR LEELA RAMDEEN

On Tuesday 3rd March, 2020, the Equal Opportunity Tribunal (EOT) hosted an Appreciation Ceremony in honour of former lay assessor, Ms. Leela Ramdeen. Ms. Ramdeen served at the Tribunal for over four years and was a driving force of motivation, productivity and integrity.

In her tribute, Judge/Chairman of the Tribunal, Her Honour Mrs. Donna Prowell-Raphael mentioned Ms. Ramdeen's strength and unwavering commitment to the work of the EOT. She emphasized her appreciation for Ms. Ramdeen's advice on judicial matters and thanked her for assisting the Tribunal in making headways in achieving its vision. She also thanked Ms. Ramdeen for her civil service as a pioneer for social justice in Trinidad and Tobago.

In her farewell speech, guest of honour Leela Ramdeen highlighted the stellar work of the EOT as an anti-discrimination court and referred to the organisation as "the flagship of this important emerging area of social jurisprudence." She elaborated the importance of service to country and indicated that service continues to be the hallmark of her life.

The event was attended by President of the Industrial Court of Trinidad and Tobago, Her Honour Mrs. Deborah Thomas-Felix, Chairman of the Equal Opportunity Commission, Mrs. Lynette Seebaran-Suite, Chairman of the Sentencing Commission, Mr. Gregory Delzin, Reverend Lennox Toussaint, Sisters of the Holy Faith Convent as well members of the Ramdeen family and staff of the EOT.

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