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JACKIE KING CONCLUDES REMARKABLE TENURE AT WPP

King's 14 years with WPP saw incredible growth in delivery of medical services to the Eastern Caribbean

Kingstown, St. Vincent and the Grenadines - World Pediatric Project has announced that the nonprofit organization's long-time Director of Eastern Caribbean Programs, Jackie King, is leaving service after 14 years with WPP's Eastern Caribbean Initiative.

"There are few people in the organization, past or present, who have made as profound an impact on WPP as Jackie," said Sarah Iracane, WPP's Chief Program Officer. "With Jackie helping to lead the way, WPP grew from a handful of teams servicing the children of St. Vincent and the Grenadines to a regional, multi-specialty program spanning 7 countries and delivering services to thousands of children and families each year. Jackie trained and fostered the development of our Eastern Caribbean representatives and island Dove Clubs throughout the region, helping to make WPP a household name on many islands."

During King's tenure, WPP's Eastern Caribbean program has delivered more than \$220,000,000 EC in medical services to more than 6,500 children across the region since 2007. WPP also celebrated the realization of the Eastern Caribbean Initiative Hub and establishment of Milton Cato Memorial Hospital and the Pediatric Surgical Centre of Excellence for the region.

"Jackie's personal commitment and connection to families has been so important in healing the children of the Eastern Caribbean," said Iracane. "Jackie had helped countless children and families through the complicated and difficult journey to health, providing emotional support and counsel to many, and always being an advocate they could turn to. Her contributions are too many to count, and too rich to put into words."

"Sister King is a household name for many in SVG and the Eastern Caribbean," expressed Ms. Lauren McIntosh, WPP Executive Director, Eastern Caribbean. "Her sterling service at WPP with efforts that were routinely above and beyond is certainly one to emulate. Our program is as vibrant today because of stalwarts like Jackie."

World Pediatric Project thanks Jackie King for her incredible dedication to the children of St. Vincent and the Grenadines and the Eastern Caribbean and wish her the absolute best in her future endeavors.