

Press Release as of 20 August 2012

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Barbados has announced that Governor General His Excellency Sir Elliott Belgrave, KCMG KA, has consented to be its new Patron and will visit the Headquarters of the Heart and Stroke Foundation at its Jemmotts Lane site to meet with members of staff and patients from the cardiac rehabilitation and prevention programme on **Wednesday 22nd 2012 from 11 – 12 mid day.**

The Governor General will be introduced to the real life ambassadors of the rehabilitation unit all of whom have experienced either a heart attack or a stroke. With heart disease being the **number one killer** in both men and women in Barbados, these heartfelt life experiences will show the Governor General just what it took to come through their illnesses.

His Excellency will then be escorted to a demonstration of cardiac resuscitation of an adult and a infant and be briefed on the 2010 guidelines of how to use the automated external defibrillator. The visit will end with the Governor General a small presentation of a gift .

“The Directors of the Heart and Stroke Foundation and I are delighted that the Governor General has agreed to become our new Patron. We look forward to welcoming him at our headquarters in the next few weeks. The Governor General knows well the dangers of heart disease and stroke, and will become a part of the fight against these two scourges of modern life,” said President of the Foundation, Humphrey Metzgen,

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Mrs Gina Pitts, CEO