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These Are Most Of The Results Of Saturday's Primary Election

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Yesterday's primary election included little surprises, as incumbents in both districts held on to their seats while a few newcomers barely eked out wins. In St. Croix, Senators Kurt Vialet, Novelle Francis, Nereida Rivera-O'Reilly, Sammuel Sanes, Neville James and Kenneth Gittens all held on to their positions, while newcomer Terrence Joseph came in 7.

In St. Thomas, Senator Marvin Blyden bested the incumbents to gain the number one spot. He was closely followed by Senator Myron Jackson, serving his second term in the Senate, who came in strong in second place with 1,534 votes or 14.83 percent. He was followed by Senate Vice President Janette Millin Young, who captured 1,422 votes or

13.75 percent, and Justin Harrigan, who garnered a respectable 1,326 votes or 12.82 percent. Jean Forde placed 5th with 1,229 votes or 11.88 percent.

It is often said that St. Thomians don't change senators as regularly as Crucians, but the departure of Senator Clifford Graham — who is serving his final few months in the 31st Legislature as he's chosen not to seek reelection — created an opening for newcomer Kevin A. Rodriguez, who secured 1,017 votes or 9.83 percent.

Former senator Patrick Simeon Sprauve came in seventh place with 908 votes or 8.78 percent. And Senator Tregenza Roach, [an independent sitting senator](#), will be on the ballot for the General Election.

Below, find all the results from yesterday's primaries, bar the Democrat Party Offices' ballots (National Committeewoman, State Chairman & Territorial Committee District-St. Croix), which will be counted today.

VOTES PERCENT

PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 29) 29 100.00 REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL . . .
.. 29,795 REGISTERED VOTERS - Democrat 29,795 100.00 BALLOTS CAST -
TOTAL. 4,889 BALLOTS CAST - Democrat. 4,889 100.00 BALLOTS CAST
- NONPARTISAN. 0 BALLOTS CAST - BLANK. 33 .67 VOTER TURNOUT -
TOTAL 16.41 VOTER TURNOUT - Democrat 16.41 VOTER TURNOUT -
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***** (Democrat) *****

DELEGATE TO THE HO-- USE OF REPRESENTATIVES (VOTE FOR) 1 Stacey E.
Plaskett 3,860 85.45 Ronald E. Russell. 635 14.06 WRITE-IN.
. . . 22 .49

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS - AT LARGE (VOTE FOR) 1 Brian A. Smith. .
. 1,205 46.44 Stacie B. January. 1,078 41.54 WRITE-IN.
312 12.02

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS - STT/STJ ST. THOMAS / ST. JOHN (VOTE
FOR) 7 Marvin A. Blyden 1,596 15.43 Myron D. Jackson 1,534 14.83
Janette Millin Young. 1,422 13.75 Justin Harrigan, Sr.. 1,326 12.82 Jean
A. Forde 1,229 11.88 Kevin A. Rodriguez 1,017 9.83 Patrick Simeon
Sprauve 908 8.78 Julia Joseph-Simon 627 6.06 Claudette Georges.
. . . 600 5.80 WRITE-IN. 84 .81 Disqualified 0

LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS - ST. CROIX DISTRICT ST. CROIX (VOTE
FOR) 7 Kurt Vialet. 1,544 14.28 Novelle E. Francis, Jr.. 1,464 13.54
Sammuel Sanes 1,271 11.76 Nellie O'Reilly 1,246 11.53 Kenneth L.
Gittens 1,221 11.30 Neville James 1,208 11.17 Terrence D. Joseph .
. 762 7.05 Ignacio Llanos III 611 5.65 Troy Mason 539 4.99
Fred Esannason. 418 3.87 George Moore 360 3.33 Agustin Q.
Salas 133 1.23 WRITE-IN. 33 .31

BOARD OF ELECTIONS - STT/STJ ST. THOMAS / ST. JOHN (VOTE FOR) 2 Arturo
Watlington, Jr. 918 37.70 Maurice A. Donovan, Jr.. 816 33.51 Patricia
Varlack 677 27.80 WRITE-IN. 24 .99

BOARD OF EDUCATION - STT/STJ ST. THOMAS / ST. JOHN (VOTE FOR) 2 Arah C.
Lockhart 794 24.67 Kyza A. Callwood 764 23.74 Dr. Yegin Habtes . .
. 701 21.78 LaVerne M. Slack 654 20.32 Phoebe Smith-Charles.
289 8.98 WRITE-IN. 16 .50

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