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Administrative Leave Granted For Virgin Islands Carnival

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ST. THOMAS -- Governor Kenneth Mapp and Lt. Governor Osbert Potter have encouraged residents and visitors to take part in the upcoming Virgin Islands Carnival celebrations and to enjoy the festivities responsibly, Government House said Friday.

The governor, by proclamation, has granted administrative leave for government employees. The public is reminded that most government offices will be closed during these periods.

For employees in the St. Thomas-St. John District, leave is granted on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 (Food, Arts and Craft Fair Day) from noon to 5 p.m.; and on Thursday, April 26,

2018, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for J'ouvert.

Administrative leave is also granted on Friday, April 27, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for non-essential employees across the territory so they may support the Children's Parade.

"During this historical and festive season hundreds of families, friends, visitors, and supporters will be in the territory to enjoy and partake of our cultural activities, and the sights and sounds of Carnival," Mr. Mapp in his proclamation. "This annual celebration provides a tremendous financial boost to our economy and helps to promote a greater understanding and appreciation of Carnival and our culture." The Carnival Village, officially named Judy's Gypsyville, opens Friday evening at 6 pm.

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