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# THE CEO

Dear GK Family,

Each year during the Emancipation and Independence period, GraceKennedy celebrates with Jamaicans at home and abroad, reflecting on our freedoms and our country's growth and progress as a nation.

Since GraceKennedy's humble beginnings almost a century ago, there has been rapid social, economic and political change in Jamaica and around the world. Much of it, in retrospect, has been ultimately beneficial to individuals, communities and the society at large. Jamaica's historic contribution to the fight against oppression has earned us a solid reputation of standing up for equal rights and justice for all. As Jamaicans we are proud descendants of Nanny, Sharpe, Bogle, Gordon, Garvey, Bustamante and Manley, the founders of our independence.

This year, although the Covid-19 pandemic has required us to remain physically distant, across the globe, communities have been uniting for freedom, equality, diversity and inclusion. GraceKennedy stands in solidarity with communities in Jamaica and around the world who are taking action to positively transform our society.

As a proud Jamaican and the CEO of this great Jamaican company, I am constantly inspired by Jamaica's resounding global impact. GraceKennedy has proudly played a key role in the private sector's contribution to Jamaica's national development in its most comprehensive sense - locally, regionally and internationally. I look forward to sustaining our partnership with all stakeholders, as we continue to build Jamaica. GK 100 is on the horizon, and I am excited to realise the vision we have for our company and the communities we serve in Jamaica and overseas.

As we reflect, and indeed celebrate, at this time of year, may we all be inspired by those throughout history who fought for our right to freedom, and those who valiantly continue to do so today. We must remain focused on our strengths, and uphold our commitments to GraceKennedy, our country and the communities in which we operate.

While there is still much work to be done, the challenges we face in creating a better future for our children can be solved with hard work, unity and determination.

Although we may come from different backgrounds, out of many, we are one people, and we are **Stronger Together**.

Our best days lie ahead.

Don Wehby



*We care.*

