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The Excitement Continues to Build at Habitat for Humanity of the Virgin Islands

St. Thomas, - If Habitat for Humanity of the Virgin Islands (HFH-VI) has its way, Ms. Galiber's house on Adele Gade in the Garden Street district will once again be filled with the voices of family and friends before the end of this year. HFH-VI envisions having its first Habitat housing project in the Virgin Islands completed before the end of November. "If the hurricane season holds out and construction stays on target, we'll be ready to dedicate our home in early November. This is very exciting," said HFH-VI Executive Director Dianne Wells.

Much of the construction work done over the summer is credited to the local National Guard, Vivot Construction and The Dverstgen group. Students from St. John University in New York spent several weeks of their summer break working on the project, as well as staff members from the Home Depot, Maclin Bastien and other local volunteers. "Although HFH-VI has received a great deal of help from the community, we are still very much in need of skilled carpenters, tile installers, electricians and masons to volunteer their time and talent to complete the Adele Gade project," stated Ms. Wells from her downtown Charlotte Amalie office. "We also welcome and encourage other non-profit organizations to assist us in all of our construction and fund raising initiatives," she added.

As part of Habitat for Humanity International's Building on Faith Week and the International Day of Prayer, HFH-VI will celebrate **Building on Faith Week on September 16-23, 2007**. The organization will use this week as an opportunity to share with churches on St. Thomas its vision of serving as a partner and catalyst for local access to safe, decent affordable housing.

HFH-VI board member Pastor Alger Warren explained, "The hurdles of funding and building homes can be overcome through the miracle of prayer. Through prayer, Habitat continues to make a dramatic difference in the lives of families around the world."

Additionally, Habitat VI is planning a **Yard Sale on Saturday, September 29, 2007 at 10:00am** to raise funds to kick-start its Home Repair Program. Sale items include kitchen cupboard doors, bathroom fittings, lumber, light bulbs, tables, paint and much more. The location of the sale is forthcoming.

Should you have items that you would like to donate for the Yard Sale, become a skilled volunteer, or if you have any questions about the organization in general, please contact Dianne Wells at 340.714.5678 or visit www.habitat.vi.