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## Labour Day 2025 Message – "Labour is the Link"

As we mark Labour Day 2025, we pause to celebrate the vital role of workers in shaping Bermuda's past, present, and future. This year's theme, "Labour is the Link," reminds us that the resilience, dedication, and collective efforts of Bermuda's workforce are central to building a stronger, fairer, and more prosperous island.

Bermuda is currently facing unprecedented economic pressures. The cost of living has reached historic highs, affecting workers and families across the island. While progress is being made in certain sectors, urgent, coordinated action is needed to address these challenges and restore confidence. There are promising developments ahead: the anticipated reopening of Fairmont Southampton in 2026 and the proposed new hospital at Morgan's Point both promise to create jobs and stimulate economic activity. These initiatives, together with the collective efforts of Bermuda's trade unions in advocating for fair wages, safe workplaces, and the rights of all workers, signal a renewed pathway where labour remains central to Bermuda's progress.

On this Labour Day, we reaffirm that labour is more than work, it is the link to Bermuda's future. By working together - government, employers, and unions, we can build an economy that values people as much as profits and ensures opportunity and security for all Bermudians.

Let us celebrate the achievements of workers past and present while looking forward with hope, determination, and a shared commitment to a stronger Bermuda.

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