



GOBERNACION

Departamento Archipiélago de San Andrés,
Providencia y Santa Catalina
Reserva de Biosfera Scaflower
NIT:892400038-2

DECRETE 0434
(September 12 2025)

*“Whereby the Departmental Government shares the sorrows of the passing away of Miss **VIRGINIA BENT SMITH** and hereby renders to her posthumous homage”.*

“And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast”. 1 Peter 5:10.

THE DEPARTMENTAL SECRETARY OF THE ARCHIPELAGO OF SAN ANDRES,
PROVIDENCE AND KETHLEENA, in use of her legal faculties and,

CONSIDERING

*On September 12th, 2025, on the Island of San Andrés, Miss. **VIRGINIA BENT SMITH** passed away. She was the mother of **MARIANA MARTINEZ BENT**, who is an active worker from the staff of Education.*

This Administration, its staff and the islander community in general have received with deep sorrows this regrettable loss.

Based on the above.

DECREES:

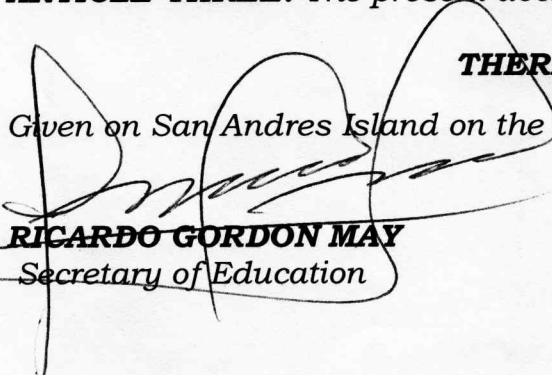
ARTICLE ONE: *With deep sorrow, the Departmental Government through its Secretary of Education **Pastor RICARDO GORDON MAY**, joins the grief of her children, grandchildren brother, relatives, friends, and the community of the island, for the death of Miss. **VIRGINIA BENT SMITH**, and expresses its condolences.*

ARTICLE TWO: *Present this decree in the name of the Local Government, and the Departmental Secretariat of Education, our sincere condolence, asking God to be with the **BENT SMITH family** in these painful moments.*

ARTICLE THREE: *The present decree is in force as from the date of issue.*

THEREFORE, BE IT

Given on San Andres Island on the 12th day of the month of September 2025.


RICARDO GORDON MAY
Secretary of Education