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Scotiabank Sponsors Monument in Memory of Slain Children

Scotiabank has sponsored the design and erection of a monument to commemorate the lives of children who have died under violent and tragic circumstances throughout Jamaica. The monument which was commissioned by the Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation was created by Paul Napier, a local sculptor and is situated in a surrounding park at the corner of Church and Duke Street in Downtown Kingston.

As a major sponsor, Scotiabank financed the construction in part to the tune of \$2.5 million. The total cost of the project is \$8.2 million, most of which was provided by the KSAC. Names of the children have been inscribed on the monument which depicts the face of a crying child.

"Scotiabank was delighted to sponsor the creation of the monument at the Mayor's request as it signifies our commitment as a nation to honour our children and to ensure that future generations are not subjected to the same horror that they experienced," explained Joylene Griffiths Irving, Director of Public, Corporate & Government Affairs at Scotiabank.

Mrs. Griffiths Irving went on to note that this public demonstration of our interest in children affairs is an extension of Scotiabank Jamaica Foundation's work in improving the lives of children through health, education and community development projects. The Bank's support of the construction of the monument and the green area

surrounding the structure also displays our commitment to the development of Downtown Kingston.

The monument will be officially unveiled on Thursday, November 19, 2008 in ceremony at the site on the monument. The guest speaker at the event will be Prime Minister the Hon. Bruce Golding. Other government and city council officials are slated to attend the event.

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