

More Tributes To Carlton Alexander

MANY messages have come in from various organisations, paying tribute to the Hon. S. Carlton Alexander, O.J., who was buried on Saturday afternoon.

●The Private Sector Organisation of Jamaica, of which he was the founding president and an honorary life-member, said he "brought unity and a wider perspective to

the many private sector groups."

●The Jamaica Teachers' Association said Mr. Alexander was "one who ardently supported the work of teachers and education. His work as chairman of the board of his alma mater, Jamaica College, was outstanding".

The JTA said that the Grace Kennedy Foundation would always

be a symbol of his care for education; and the JTA's joint venture with the Foundation, the Innovations in Education Award, "is but one example of a practical attempt to encourage teachers to strive for excellence."

●The Rotary Club of Kingston, of which he was a foundation member, said that the club's main project for the 1988-89 administration, the upgrading of the facilities in the biology and physics laboratory at Kingston Technical High School, was as a result of a challenge by him to past students of the school.

●Jamaica Promotions Ltd. (JAMPRO), through its chairman, Senator Barclay Ewart and Mrs. I. V. "Polly" Brown, its acting president, expressed regret at the death of Mr. Alexander, who served as chairman of JAMPRO and of two of its predecessors, Jamaica National Export Corporation (JNEC) and Jamaica National Investment Promotions (JNIP).

"His life has helped to chart the progress of Jamaica's economic development and his death will remove a leading figure from private and public sector service of Jamai-

ca. He gave a life-time of service to his country and was highly respected by the business community both here and abroad," the JAMPRO statement said.

●The Jamaica Hotel and Tourist Association, through Mr. Peter Rousseau, its president, said that Mr. Alexander maintained close contact over the years with the tourist industry and was a constant advocate of its development.

●The Jamaica/America Medical Assistance Committee hailed Mr. Alexander as the "father" of JAMAC, as it was largely through his work, behind the scenes, that the organisation was formed.

●The Small Business Association of Jamaica said that Mr. Alexander "will always be remembered for his significant contribution to entrepreneurship and his innovative support to persons starting their own small business".

●The Life Underwriters' Association of Jamaica said that Mr. Alexander's life "personified and exemplified the principles of selflessness, brotherly love, caring and sharing; and at the same time achieved the rare distinction of blending these virtues with the aggressive instincts of persistence, meticulousness and astuteness that characterize all successful businessmen".

●The Customs Brokers' Association of Jamaica said, "Carlton Alexander has been a household name in Jamaica. He epitomizes the result of hard work, dedication to duty, commitment. He has served Jamaica well."

●National Commercial Bank, through its chairman, Dr. Keith Panton, paid tribute to Mr. Alexander as "a man of sound judgement and outstanding integrity who car-

ried his well-deserved honours with the greatest humility".

Mr. Alexander was the longest-serving non-executive member of the board of the bank and was a director of the NCB Group from its formation.

●The Jamaica Chamber of Commerce spoke of Mr. Alexander as "a trusty friend, a sound businessman, an adviser, and a man of unbounded energy", who achieved unparalleled status in the business arena.

Mr. Alexander was president of the CofC during 1968-70.

●The Jamaica Manufacturers' Association described Mr. Alexander as a colossus among Jamaican businessmen, who was a keen supporter of the island's industrial development programme.

●The Jamaica Exporters' Association, through its president, Mr. Prakash Vaswani, said Mr. Alexander was a great Jamaican whose exemplary service made him a source of strength and guidance to the Jamaica private and public sectors.

"Mr. Alexander's outstanding work in the export and industrial sector has made an indelible contribution to the development of modern industry in Jamaica, and his achievements will live on in our nation's history," the JEA statement said.

Jaycees of Jamaica, through its state president, Mr. Dave Foster, said Mr. Alexander's death "will undoubtedly leave a vacuum in the

society, especially among business leaders, so far as the concern for the under-privileged is concerned."

●The Press Association of Jamaica recalled that only a few weeks ago Mr. Alexander commended the PAJ on its efforts to work for professionalism; and the day before he went into hospital, he signed a cheque to fund the 1989/90 education programme of the PAJ.

"Our tribute to him is to press on with the planned training seminars and other programmes that will show professionalism and commitment to the highest principles of journalism", the PAJ statement said.

●The Workers' Party of Jamaica, in tribute to Mr. Alexander's known concern with the development of Education, recommended the establishment of two Carlton Alexander Memorial Scholarships for the pursuit of higher education and training.

●The Building Societies' Association of Jamaica said Mr. Alexander maintained a close interest in the building society movement and in the development of thrift; and had a special concern for the housing of the homeless.

●The Lay Magistrates' Association of Jamaica referred to Mr. Alexander as a man of compassion who had a deep and abiding love for his country and its people. "His selfless way of living, giving and sharing has left a void that will not be easily filled," it said.

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