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Message by

**Senator the Hon Jennifer Baptiste-Primus, Minister of Labour and
Small Enterprise Development to the Citizens of Trinidad and
Tobago on the occasion of May Day, May 1st, 2020.**

This year May Day is being celebrated at a time when workers throughout the world are all engulfed in protecting one another, their families, friends, neighbours, associates and even complete strangers from the ravages of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Especially this year, our focus should be on the millions of front line health care delivery workers and, even more, the millions of those of hitherto unpretentious and unassuming classifications of workers who, day after day, risk their lives and the lives of their own families and loved ones to protect and save the lives of individuals for the most part totally unknown to them.

It is a sacrifice of untold magnitude not measurable within the limited vocabulary of words or in the restricted dimensions of deeds.

Their grit and determination remind us of the unlimited prowess and strength of the human spirit especially when stretched beyond the boundaries of human endeavour and embraced within the true and trusted tenets of boundless love and bountiful caring.

On this the celebration of May Day, my desire is that Almighty God will not only bless and protect these Health Care delivery stalwarts and their support staff wherever they may be, but that they will be blessed with the opportunity to reap the benefits of abundant life which is promised to all who believe.

I join with all citizens of Trinidad and Tobago in paying tribute to these precious souls and in particular the thousands of our own brothers and sisters right here



on our doorsteps who by their personal, professional and collective endeavours continue to play a pivotal role in having Trinidad and Tobago recognised and distinguished world-wide for the exceptional manner in which we as a people have managed the threats of COVID-19 and spared ourselves unquantifiable misery.

By rallying to the call, we have shown the way for the world to follow. Trinidad and Tobago owes you a tremendous debt of gratitude. Happy May Day.

May Almighty God bless you all.

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