## **Press Release**

Little Cayman District Committee of the National Trust For The Cayman Islands

Blossom Village, Little Cayman, Cayman Islands, 25 January 2021- The Little Cayman District Committee of the National Trust For The Cayman Islands is very pleased to announce the closing on the purchase of 17 acres of environmentally and ecologically important land on Little Cayman. The parcel adjoins two other Trust held properties on the "Nature Trail" at the west end of the island interior and nearly doubles the contiguous protected area at a time when pressures from speculative real estate development are increasing. The parcel lies in prime Sister Islands Rock Iguana habitant close to the largest known communal nest site of the endemic and endangered Rock Iguanas, the Trust's Preston Bay Nesting Preserve. The parcel may also contain historic artefacts from the phosphate mining industry that was on the island at the end of the 1800s.

This and the other adjoining Trust held properties are accessible for all to enjoy through the "Nature Trail" and contain local flora and fauna including endemic banana orchids, birch trees, cherry trees, rock iguanas, banana quits, bald pates, ground boas and myriad others. Future plans may include a loop trail that will better afford accessibility for hikers and nature lovers to the splendour of the "Nature Trail" area. But remember to take only memories and leave only footprints.

The Little Cayman District Committee of the Trust and The National Trust For The Cayman Islands would like to sincerely thank the following for making this acquisition possible; Mrs. Brigitte Kassa for her uncommonly generous donation of US \$200,000 towards the purchase, the joint proprietors of the parcel who include, Lisa (Foster) Galizia and Lori (Foster) Bohach for their gracious donation of US \$95,000 of the list price immediately upon closing, Scott Roe and RE/MAX for their invaluable work facilitating the purchase and Betty Bua Realty.

This purchase continues the National Trust's mission to preserve and protect the special natural environment of Little Cayman and the Cayman Islands for present and future generations of Caymanians.



The parcel is marked NT (proposed)