



# News Release

## **GraceKennedy wins four JSE Best Practices Awards for 2019**

**Kingston, Jamaica, December 3, 2020** – The GraceKennedy (GK) Group is the proud winner of four Jamaica Stock Exchange (JSE) Best Practices Awards for 2019. In the Main Market Best Practices Awards, GK Limited was announced the overall winner in the Corporate Disclosure & Investor Relations category, and the first runner up for the JSE/PSOJ Corporate Governance Award and Website Award. GK Capital Management was also declared the first runner up in the Investor Relations category of the Member Dealers Awards. The announcement of the 2019 awards was made during a hybrid virtual/in-person ceremony hosted by the JSE at their Multi-Purpose Centre on Harbour Street in Kingston and streamed live online via Zoom yesterday evening, Wednesday, December 2.

Commenting on the Group’s showing at the awards, CEO of the GK Group, Senator Don Wehby explained, “I am truly grateful to the GK team for consistently going above and beyond to ensure that we hit every mark and meet every target, and remain one of the leading companies listed on the JSE. These awards are a true testament to our Company’s continued commitment to our shareholders, and they demonstrate how dedicated GraceKennedy is to effecting corporate governance at the highest standard. I am extremely proud to be leading such an outstanding Group and honoured to see our Company being recognised in such a significant way by the Jamaica Stock Exchange.”

Wehby also commended the JSE on their commitment to hosting the awards despite the challenges associated with COVID-19. “Jamaica is open for business, and the resilience of the JSE and staging of these awards are a signal of that. GraceKennedy, like other companies operating in Jamaica, is committed to rebuilding our local economy coming out of the pandemic. We look forward to continuing our contribution to the nation’s positive economic growth. Congratulations to all the awardees, the future of Jamaica looks bright,” he said.

The JSE Best Practices Awards were established in 2004 to promote best practice standards for companies listed on the Jamaica Stock Exchange. Each year awards are handed out to companies listed on the Main and Junior Market of the Stock Exchange recognizing excellence in corporate governance. Since 2011 awards have also been handed out by the JSE to Member Dealers for their contribution to developing the Capital Market and for upholding best practices standards in the process.

This the first time GK Capital Management has been awarded by the JSE at the annual event. The Member Dealer Investor Relations award recognizes excellence in providing customer service to investors. GraceKennedy has received over 15 Best Practices Awards from the JSE since the annual event began, including the prestigious Governor General’s Award for Excellence for 2004 and 2018.

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*GraceKennedy's Head of Corporate Communications, Suzanne Stanley was on hand at the Jamaica Stock Exchange (JSE) on Wednesday, December 2, 2020 to receive four Best Practices Awards for the GK Group. GK was the winner of four Best Practices awards for 2019 including the Corporate Disclosure & Investor Relations (Main Market) award (overall winner), and first runner up for the JSE/PSOJ Corporate Governance Award and Website Award (Main Market). GK Capital Management also received its first Member Dealers Award and were awarded first runner up in the Investor Relations category.*

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