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I would like to thank Dr. Erik Rolland, the University of The Bahamas' new president, for his kind words of welcome for this issue of the *International Journal of Bahamian Studies (IJBS)*.

As the University of The Bahamas begins the post-Covid turn, The Bahamas is, like the rest of the world, still taking stock of the long-term effects of Covid-19 on the way we will work and live in the future. Following this, Shamel Rolle Sands and her collaborators at the University of Alberta have contributed an article promoting the Job-Demands Resource model as a tool to analyse why nurses leave their jobs and the profession, particularly in the (post-)Covid environment.

IJBS continues its mission of informing public discussion in The Bahamas with empirical research. Recently, studies, both past and present, originally published in *IJBS* have been mentioned in both the *Nassau Guardian* and *Tribune*. In fact, research on the issue of marital rape in The Bahamas by William Fielding and Virginia Ballance presented in this issue has already been featured in local newspapers and other local media.

This year's issue of *IJBS* also continues our history of publishing high quality work by both Bahamas-based scholars and scholars who study The Bahamas and its people working internationally. Particularly noteworthy is the international collaboration in behind Kristen Welsh and her collaborator's study of potable water wells in Grand Bahama post-Hurricane Dorian. The article has 23 different authors working at 12 different organizations—including academic institutions, NGOs, and private consultants—in 5 different nations (that is, The Bahamas, USA, Germany, Brazil, and Israel). The Welsh et al. piece also, both in terms of its theme and its methods, resonates with the theme of this year's International Open Access Week: "Open for Climate Justice."

While there are, as always, many people to thank for the successful release of this year's issue of the journal, I would, in particular, like to thank William Fielding, the journal's most prolific author, and Virginia Ballance, Associate Editor, for the articles they have contributed and their continued editorial support. Fielding and Ballance also deserve to be commended for their work on the forthcoming edited volume *Sexual Violence in The Bahamas: An Introduction*, a book consisting of work previously published in *IJBS* which is due to be released later this fall.

Sincerely,

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