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0:00:00 Let's get started. Let's go.

0:01:00 We'll see you next time. Oh, oh, oh, oh. St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. John We're ready, start! A one, a two, two, two, two, two You know the vibe Come on, come on From the morning when the sun come up over the sea I knew they're rising for you and for me Fifteen strong, they answer the call One legislature, standing for all Down in the chamber where the people have a city Hear the voices ringing brighter every day So let me hear you Put your hand to the sky For the ones who showing up Who never pass we by Welcome to religious ledger Fifteen sonatas in the mix Wave it Serving every island Doing it for we From the hills of Croy To the St. Thomas'

0:02:54 Welcome to religious ledger Working for the people, that's the fix So wave your rag and sing it, let the whole world see This is we government, this is we family Build up the schools, give the young them a chance Help for the elders, give the workers them advance Roads getting better, the business getting strong Culture in the music, keep we crucial Every district matter, every voice belong From the smallest little village we carry on So let me hear, put your hand to the sky For the territory rising, watch me reach for high Welcome to the legislature, hey! Fifteen senators in the mix, wave it Serving every island, doing it for we From the hills of Croy to the St. Thomas Sea Welcome to the legislature Working for the people off the thick side So wave your rag and sing it Let the whole world see This is we government, this is we family No turning back No turning back One up, one up, one up, one up, one up, one up No turning back One up, one up, one up, one up, one up, one up No turning back, one back