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**PRESS RELEASE**

**CHAMBER EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO THE NATION  
FOLLOWING THE PASSING OF NATIONAL CULTURAL ICON,  
PAT BISHOP**

It was with great sadness that the Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry and Commerce received the news of the passing of one of this country's cultural icons, Pat Bishop.

Ms. Bishop was a remarkable woman who worked assiduously to raise the Trinidad and Tobago culture to a high level of recognition locally, regionally and internationally. More than this, she sold Trinidad as a place of an enormous wealth of culture, and always advocated, in her own inimitable style, for more local emphasis on the arts. Her passing represents a tremendous loss to our nation, and the Caribbean region as a whole.

We share in the nation's moment of grief, and extend our deepest condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of Ms. Bishop. May her soul rest in peace. The Chamber looks forward to the legacy of her great work in the arts being continued by future generations.

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