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Walker's Cay, The Bahamas' most northerly island, has been sold and is earmarked for development.

Texas businessman and philanthropist Carl Allen announced yesterday that he had purchased the island and will soon begin a "phase one development plan".

"Allen, a well-known friend of The Bahamas, finalized the sale from the current owners following through on what has been a lifelong love affair with the island," noted a press release on the sale.

"The Bahamas has been like a second home to me for most of my life. One of my very first memories of The Bahamas was coming to Walker's when I was 12," said Allen in the release.

"Walker's Cay is the northernmost island in The Bahamas and was once one of the premiere sports-fishing destinations in the world. After successive hurricanes it was closed to the public in 2005.

"Since then, I've dreamed of working together with Bahamians to build Walker's back to its former glory."

The release does not specifically outline Allen's plans for the cay, but it is likely he will return the island to the fishing mecca that it once was.

Allen said that he wants to create jobs for Bahamian families with the redevelopment of Walker's Cay.

"I've spent more time in The Bahamas than anywhere else other than my own home," he said.

"My wife Gigi and I, as well as our children, love this country and have been blessed and privileged to make so many friends here.

"We plan to work together with folks here to restore Walker's Cay and envision this rebuild as a partnership with Bahamians to create jobs, good paying and secure jobs, strengthen families and develop a lasting economic driver for future generations."

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