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SWEARING-IN OF MEMBERS

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HANSARD

Monday

November 3, 2025

Members-Elect met in the Assembly Chamber on the morning of November 3, 2025, for the Swearing-In Ceremony.

**CLERK (Hawley George):** Please rise for the entrance of the hon. Joan Marie J. Aylward, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador.

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:** It is the wish of the Lieutenant Governor to have everybody present be seated.

**CLERK:** Thank you.

Please be seated.

Good morning, Your Honours, invited guests, friends and colleagues, welcome to the Swearing-In Ceremony for the Members of the 51st General Assembly of Newfoundland and Labrador.

My name is Kim Hawley George and I'm the Clerk of the House of Assembly. On behalf of my fellow Table Officers, Kimberley Hammond, Bobbi Russell, Gerrie Smith and all of the House of Assembly Service, I offer my congratulations to all Members-Elect. We look forward to working with you in the 51st General Assembly, on behalf of the people of Newfoundland and Labrador.

During today's ceremony, the Members-Elect will be called in alphabetically in order by district. There are three elements to a Swearing-In Ceremony of a Member of the House of Assembly. Firstly, before Members-Elect can assume their seats in the House, they must swear or affirm allegiance to the King. The Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance is a requirement under the *Constitution Act, 1867* for Members of all legislatures in Canada, which must be witnessed by Her Honour, the hon. Joan Marie J. Aylward, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Secondly, Members-Elect must make an Oath or Affirmation of Office which is a requirement under the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*. Both Oaths or Affirmations of Office are

then signed by Members-Elect and Her Honour.

Lastly, Members-Elect will sign the Roll of Members for the 51st General Assembly which includes an alphabetical listing of all electoral districts and the signatures of Members elected to those districts in this General Assembly.

I have received a proclamation from Her Honour:

"TO: Kim Hawley George KC, Clerk of the House of Assembly and Kimberley Hammond, Principal Clerk of Proceedings and Bobbi Russell, Principal Clerk of Committees

GREETING

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS under section 128 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I, as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, am authorized to administer the Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and to those persons elected to be Members of the House of Assembly in the General Election held on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025;

AND WHEREAS under section 5 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, I, as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, am authorized to administer the Oaths or Affirmations of Office to those persons elected to be Members of the House of Assembly in the said General Election;

AND WHEREAS the said sections of the *Constitution Act, 1867* and the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* further require that the persons declared elected as Members during the said General Election held on the said date must take their Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance and Oaths or Affirmations of Office before they can take their seats in the House of Assembly;

NOW THEREFORE I, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, do authorize and direct you, the said Kim Hawley George KC, Kimberley Hammond and Bobbi Russell, or any of you, to request that the Members-Elect gather in the House of Assembly Chamber on Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 9:30 o'clock in the morning in order to take their Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance and Oaths or Affirmations of Office before me."

Your Honour, I am pleased to report that Travis Wooley, the Chief Electoral Officer, has published a report in the October 31, 2025, edition of *The Newfoundland and Labrador Gazette* assuring us that 37 Members-Elect have been duly elected and are entitled to take their Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance and Oath or Affirmation of Office.

The October 31, 2025, edition of *The Newfoundland and Labrador Gazette*, containing the report of the Chief Electoral Officer, is deemed to be tabled and formally entered into the House of Assembly records.

The results for the electoral Districts of Lewisporte - Twillingate, Placentia West - Bellevue and Topsail - Paradise are subject to judicial recount. The Members representing those districts will be sworn in once the results of the recount are certified.

We will now begin the swearing-in of Members-Elect.

The Member-Elect for the electoral District of Baie Verte - Green Bay, Arlanda Malcolm Benjamin George Paddock.

**L. PADDOCK:** I, Arlanda Malcolm Paddock, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Arlanda Malcolm Paddock, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Baie Verte - Green Bay, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

**CLERK:** I'll now ask the Member-Elect to proceed to sign the Roll of Members.

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Baie Verte - Green Bay.

The Member-Elect for the electoral District of Bonavista, Craig Pardy.

**C. PARDY:** I, Craig Pardy, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Craig Pardy, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Bonavista, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Bonavista.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Burgeo - La Poile, Michael Augustus King.

**M. KING:** I, Michael Augustus King, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Michael Augustus King, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Burgeo - La Poile, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Burgeo - La Poile.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Burin - Grand Bank, Paul A. Pike.

**P. PIKE:** I, Paul A. Pike, do affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law.

I, Paul A. Pike, do affirm that

(a) I am qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Burin-Grand Bank, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly.

(Signing of Affirmation.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Burin - Grand Bank.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Cape St. Francis, Joedy Wall.

**J. WALL:** I, Joedy Wall, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Joedy Wall, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member of the District of Cape St. Francis, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of the Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Cape St. Francis, Joedy Wall.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde, Riley Balsom.

**R. BALSOM:** I, Riley Balsom, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Riley Balsom, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office for the Member of the District of Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of the Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair, Lisa Dempster.

**L. DEMPSTER:** I, Lisa Dempster, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Lisa Dempster, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Cartwright - L'Anse au Clair, Lisa Dempster.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Conception Bay East - Bell Island, Frederick Charles Hutton.

**F. HUTTON:** Good morning.

I, Frederick Charles Hutton, do affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to

His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law.

I, Frederick Charles Hutton, do affirm that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Conception Bay East - Bell Island, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly.

(Signing of Affirmation.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Conception Bay East - Bell Island, Frederick Charles Hutton.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Conception Bay South, Barry Petten.

**B. PETTEN:** I, Barry Petten, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Barry Petten, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Conception Bay South, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for Conception Bay South, Barry Petten.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for Corner Brook, Larry James Parsons.

**J. PARSONS:** I, Larry James Parsons, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Larry James Parsons, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Corner Brook, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Corner Brook, Larry James Parsons.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Exploits, Pleaman Forsey.

**P. FORSEY:** I, Pleaman Forsey, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Pleaman Forsey, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Exploits, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Exploits, Pleaman Forsey.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Ferryland, Loyola O'Driscoll.

**L. O'DRISCOLL:** I, Loyola O'Driscoll, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Loyola O'Driscoll, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member of the District of Ferryland, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of the Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Ferryland, Loyola O'Driscoll.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Fogo Island - Cape Freels, James McKenna.

**J. MCKENNA:** I, Jim McKenna, do affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law.

I, Jim McKenna, do affirm that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member of the District of Fogo Island - Cape Freels, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private

interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly.

(Signing of Affirmation.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Fogo Island - Cape Freels, James McKenna.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune, Elvis Loveless.

**E. LOVELESS:** I, Elvis Loveless, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Elvis Loveless, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

**CLERK:** I ask the Member-Elect to sign the Roll of Members.

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune, Elvis Loveless.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Gander, Bettina Ford.

**B. FORD:** I, Bettina Ford, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Bettina Ford, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Gander, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I swear, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Gander, Bettina Ford.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans, Chris Tibbs.

**C. TIBBS:** I, Chris Tibbs, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Chris Tibbs, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Grand Falls-Windsor - Buchans, Chris Tibbs.

Next, we will have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Harbour Main, Helen Conway Ottenheimer.

**H. CONWAY OTTENHEIMER:** I, Helen Conway Ottenheimer, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Helen Conway Ottenheimer, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Harbour Main, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect

monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Harbour Main, Helen Conway Ottenheimer.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Harbour Grace - Port de Grave, Pamela Norah Parsons.

**P. PARSONS:** I, Pam Parsons, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Pam Parsons, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Harbour Grace - Port de Grave, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interests to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Harbour Grace - Port de Grave, Pamela Parsons.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Humber - Bay of Islands, Eddie Joyce.

**E. JOYCE:** I, Eddie Joyce, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Eddie Joyce, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Humber - Bay of Islands, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of the ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interests to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Humber - Bay of Islands, Eddie Joyce.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Humber - Gros Morne, Mike Goosney.

**M. GOOSNEY:** I, Mike Goosney, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Chales II, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Mike Goosney, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Humber - Gros Morne, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interests to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Humber - Gros Morne, Mike Goosney.

Thank you very much.

Because Members-Elect and Members have been so efficient in their duties, we're running a little bit ahead of time, so I suggest that we take a break as scheduled now a little bit early, and we will reconvene here at 11 a.m.

Thank you.

Please remain in your seats until Their Honours have exited the Chamber.

**Recess**

**CLERK:** Thank you and welcome back.

We'll now resume the ceremony.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Labrador West, Joseph Leonard Power.

**J. POWER:** I, Joseph Leonard Power, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Joseph Leonard Power, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Labrador West, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Labrador West, Joseph Leonard Power.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Lake Melville, Keith Norman Russell.

**K. RUSSELL:** I, Keith Russell, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Keith Russell, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Lake Melville, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Lake Melville, Keith Norman Russell.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Mount Pearl - Southlands, Paul Lane.

**P. LANE:** I, Paul Lane, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Paul Lane, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Mount Pearl - Southlands, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted

by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Mount Pearl - Southlands, Paul Lane.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Mount Pearl North, Lucy Stoyles.

**L. STOYLES:** I, Lucy Stoyles, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Lucy Stoyles, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of the Member for the District of Mount Pearl North, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I swear, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Mount Pearl North, Lucy Stoyles.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows, Andrea Barbour.

**A. BARBOUR:** I, Andrea Barbour, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Andrea Barbour, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of the Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of St. Barbe - L'Anse aux Meadows, Andrea Barbour.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Placentia - St. Mary's, Sherry Gambin-Walsh.

**S. GAMBIN-WALSH:** I, Sherry Gambin-Walsh, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Sherry Gambin-Walsh, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Placentia - St. Mary's, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Placentia - St. Mary's, Sherry Gambin-Walsh.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Mount Scio, Sarah Stoodley.

**S. STOODLEY:** I, Sarah Stoodley, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Sarah Stoodley, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Mount Scio, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted

by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Mount Scio, Sarah Stoodley.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of St. George's - Humber, Hal Cormier.

**H. CORMIER:** I, Hal Cormier, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Hal Cormier, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of St. George's - Humber, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of St. George's - Humber, Hal Cormier.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of St. John's Centre, James Dinn.

**J. DINN:** I, James Dinn, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, James Dinn, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of St. John’s Centre, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of St. John’s Centre, James Dinn.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of St. John’s East - Quidi Vidi, Sheilagh O’Leary.

**S. O’LEARY:** I, Sheilagh O’Leary, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Sheilagh O’Leary, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of St. John’s East - Quidi Vidi, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of the Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of St. John’s East - Quidi Vidi, Sheilagh O’Leary.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Torngat Mountains, Lela Margaret Ann Evans.

**L. EVANS:** I, Lela Margaret Ann Evans, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Lela Margaret Ann Evans, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Torngat Mountains, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and I will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted

by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Torngat Mountains, Lela Margaret Ann Evans.

At this time, we are awaiting the arrival of some more Members-Elect. We are running ahead of time due to the efficiency of those Members-Elect. If I could suggest that we would take a 10-minute pause, I expect that they will be here at that time.

Thank you very much.

**Recess**

**CLERK:** Thank you.

If I could ask you to take your seats, we'll resume the proceeding.

I appreciate your indulgence this morning, thank you very much.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of St. John's West, Keith Simon White.

**K. WHITE:** I, Keith White, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Keith White, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of St. John's West, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private

interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of St. John's West, Keith Simon White.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Stephenville - Port au Port, Tony Wakeham.

**T. WAKEHAM:** I, Tony Wakeham, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Tony Wakeham, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Stephenville - Port au Port, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Stephenville - Port au Port, Tony Wakeham.

Next, we have Member-Elect for the electoral District of Terra Nova, Lloyd Parrott.

**L. PARROTT:** I, Lloyd Parrott, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Lloyd Parrott, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Terra Nova, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Terra Nova, Lloyd Parrott.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville, Bernard Davis.

**B. DAVIS:** I, Bernard Davis, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, Bernard Davis, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville, Bernard Davis.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Waterford Valley, Jamie Arthur Korab.

**J. KORAB:** I, Jamie Korab, do affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law.

I, Jamie Korab, do affirm that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Waterford Valley, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private

interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly.

(Signing of Affirmation.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Waterford Valley, Jamie Arthur Korab.

Next, we have the Member-Elect for the electoral District of Windsor Lake, John Joseph Hogan.

**J. HOGAN:** I, John Hogan, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law. So help me God.

I, John Hogan, do swear that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Windsor Lake, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly. So help me God.

(Signing of Oath.)

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Congratulations to the Member for the electoral District of Windsor Lake, John Joseph Hogan.

Thank you.

In concluding the ceremony today, the Table Officers followed by Her Honour will now sign the Roll of Members.

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

**CLERK:** Thank you.

Thanks for your patience today. This concludes the ceremony.

Congratulations again to the Members of the 51st General Assembly for the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, and thank you all for your attendance here today.

At 3 p.m. this afternoon, the House of Assembly will convene to elect the Speaker.

I now ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort Their Honours from the Chamber.

Please rise but remain in your seats until Their Honours have exited.

Thank you very much.