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The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to recognize the Town of Bay Roberts which was the national winner of WinterLights Celebrations.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to congratulate the Stella Maris School Boys' Basketball Team which won the Under 15 Provincial B Basketball Championship.

The Member for Cartwright-L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) made a Statement to congratulate Corina Dumaresque of Dumaresque Desktop Design Inc. who was named Entrepreneur of the Year by the Newfoundland and Labrador Organization of Women Entrepreneurs.

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. French) made a Statement to pay tribute to Carrie Young, Bob Hardy and Greg Lawlor for their lifesaving actions following an all-terrain vehicle accident on December 31st, 2006 which claimed the life of 15 year old Kenneth Howe.

The Member for Signal Hill-Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement respecting International Day Against Homophobia.

The Member for Trinity-Bay de Verde (Ms. Johnson) made a Statement to congratulate Ryan Higdon of Green's Harbour who won first place in the Royal Canadian Legion's Remembrance Day Contest with his poster submission.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Dunderdale) made a Statement to inform the House of an investment of \$1 million in Central Dairies to assist in an expansion.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Jackman) made a Statement to inform the House that the Department of Environment and Conservation has allocated \$60,000 in funding for the operation of the Climate Change Education Centre.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance & President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Retail Sales Tax Act" (Bill No. 20).

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The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Rideout) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move pursuant to Standing Order 11 that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that the House not adjourn at 10 o'clock in the evening on Tuesday, May 22nd, 2007.

Pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) the Opposition House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that the following Resolution to be introduced by the Member for Cartwright-L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) would be debated on Private Members' Day on Wednesday.

"WHEREAS it has been revealed that there were error rates of 42% in breast cancer screening tests conducted by Eastern Health and the circumstances surrounding the release of this information has shaken confidence in the health care system in this Province:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House of Assembly calls upon Government to appoint a judicial inquiry into the circumstances around faulty breast cancer screening results and the release of this information."

The Member for Cartwright-L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to honour its agreement with Wood Products Industries Ltd. And Chimney Bay Lumber Co. Ltd. respecting wood harvesting permits.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) presented a Petition calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to address the lack of road maintenance in many areas of the Province.

The Member for Cartwright-L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to contribute to the cost of providing cellular phone coverage to the residents of Southern Labrador.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee.

The Speaker (Mr. Hodder) put the question on the motion that the House concur in the Report of the Social Services Committee.

The Speaker declared the motion carried.

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Pursuant to order and on motion the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald took the Chair of the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

The Committee of the Whole on Supply considered and passed without amendment the Estimates of Expenditure of the Executive Council, Legislature and Consolidated Fund Services.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of Supply (Mr. Fitzgerald) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to it referred, had passed the Estimates of Expenditure of the **Executive Council**, **Legislature** and **Consolidated Fund Services** without amendment and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee of the Whole on Supply was received and adopted and on motion the Committee was asked to sit again on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 22nd at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie, Clerk of the House of Assembly.