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The House met at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate George Street United Church and the CLB Regimental Band on the fiftieth anniversary of the People of the Sea Service.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to commend all those who participated and helped organize the annual Snowmobile Ride to support Breast Cancer Research in the Straits area of the Province.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Murphy) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Tom Kieran who celebrated his 100th birthday on February 13th.

The Member for St. John's South (Mr. Osborne) made a Statement to recognize the Shea Heights Community Centre and all the volunteers responsible for the successful winter festival this year.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate the Port aux Basques Blaze PeeWee A Hockey Team which won gold at the Barry Lush Memorial Tournament.

The Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) made a Statement to pay tribute to his wife, the late Mrs. Maxine Verge.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Davis) made a Statement about the expansion of the Choices for Youth Train for Trades Programme in St. John's.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture (Mr. Dalley), on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation (Mr. French), made a Statement to congratulate Stan Cook Jr. who won the Doug Wheeler Award and the Cupids Legacy Centre which won the Cultural Tourism Award.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to ensure that the Western School District is provided with sufficient funding to keep Bayview Regional Collegiate at St. Lunaire-Griquet open.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to

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partner with the private sector to extend cell phone coverage through Gros Morne National Park and the enclave communities.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the decision to cut funding to EAS agencies in the Province.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Collins):

"BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House affirms that, by investing billions of dollars since 2004 in vital infrastructure – including highways, roads, bridges, ferries, municipal and regional infrastructure, health care facilities and schools – the Government has taken the responsible approach and promoted long-term fiscal strength and sustainability."

The Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. King, Mr. Hutchings, Ms. Shea, Ms. Sullivan, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Jackman, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. Hedderson, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Verge, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Granter, Mr. Cornect, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Dalley, Mr. Felix Collins, Mr. Sandy Collins, Mr. Kent, Mr. Lane, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Brazil, Ms. Perry, Mr. Little, Mr. Cross, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Peach, Mr. Crummell, Mr. Forsey, Mr. Russell.

Against: Mr. Ball, Ms. Jones, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Joyce, Ms. Michael, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Mitchelmore, Ms. Rogers, Mr. Osborne.

The Speaker declared the Resolution carried.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, March 14th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly.