Wednesday, November 6th, 2013

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

The Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Mr. Wayne Trask.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate Captain Frank Skinner, Mr. Ben Savory and Mr. Ed Strickland who have been awarded medals of bravery.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Gary Gosine on his re-election as Mayor of Wabana.

The Member for Placentia – St. Mary's (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to congratulate Anne Whelan on her business successes.

The Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Dr. Maxwell House.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate the Seville Singers upon their celebration of 40 years of performing and entertaining.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Dalley) made a Statement to applaud the agreement between Government and Husky Energy and its partners which will advance the development of the White Rose Extension Project.

The Honourable the Minister of Child, Youth and Family Services (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to inform the House of Assembly about Government's Foster a Future Campaign to recruit new foster parents.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Recreation (Mr. French) made a Statement to inform the House about the success of the 2013 tourism season.

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 partner with the private sector to extend cell phone coverage throughout Gros Morne National Park and the enclave community of Trout River.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to fully implement the recommendations of the ISSP/Pathways Commission in order to improve the delivery of special education programming for all pupils, parents, teachers and schools.

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Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Ball):

"WHEREAS one of the key points of the Muskrat Falls development was the ability to use 40 percent of the power for industrial development in Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS the Premier and other Government Members repeatedly said that 40 percent of Muskrat Falls power would be used for industrial development in Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS the new arrangements between Nalcor and Emera of Nova Scotia mean that the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador has now committed excess power to Nova Scotia;

AND WHEREAS this power will be sold to residents of Nova Scotia at rates well below what Newfoundlanders and Labradorians will be forced to pay;

AND WHEREAS residents of Nova Scotia have benefited from a full Utility and Review Board hearing on Muskrat Falls and will be the primary beneficiaries of our resource;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House calls upon the Government to send the Muskrat Falls project back to our Public Utilities Board for a full public review for the protection of our ratepayers."

The Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Joyce, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Ball, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Edmunds, Ms. Dempster, Ms. Michael, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Rogers, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Mitchelmore.

Against: Ms. Dunderdale, Ms. Shea, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Davis, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Crummell, Mr. French, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Jackman, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Hedderson, Mr. Dalley, Ms. Sullivan, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Kent, Mr. Felix Collins, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Cross, Mr. Forsey, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Brazil, Mr. Granter, Mr. Sandy Collins, Mr. Lane, Mr. Cornect, Mr. Peach, Ms. Perry, Mr. Little, Mr. Russell.

The Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

The Speaker then adjourned the House without question put pursuant to Standing Order 9.

Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly.