

Monday, December 9th, 2013

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

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Alex Samuel Park and extend condolences to his family.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Forsey) made a Statement to congratulate the Dr. Hugh Twomey Health Care Centre Auxiliary for cost sharing with the Central Health Foundation to purchase a Cuddle Bed for the Palliative Care Unit at the Twomey Centre.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late M. Emile Benoit who has been designated a person of provincial significance.

The Member for Harbour Main (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to congratulate the recipients of the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award at the presentation ceremony of November 30th, 2013.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to recognize and thank retired educators Mary Lou and Ellis Stuckless for hosting an annual open house at the conclusion of the Santa Claus Parade.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to pay tribute to a group of young people who have been awarded a Certificate of Commendation from the Governor General of Canada in recognition of their actions in helping their friends following an avalanche in 2007.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Ms. Sullivan) made a Statement about the Paid Family Caregiving Home Support Option.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for the Status of Women (Acting) (Ms. Shea) made a Statement to recognize Susan Patten, Chair of the Board of Directors of A. Harvey & Co. and Premier Dunderdale who were honoured by the Women's Executive Network for their achievements.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. Crummell) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Vital Statistics Act, 2009" (Bill No. 29).

The Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

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“BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House acknowledges the leadership that Newfoundlanders and Labradorians are demonstrating through innovation ventures in areas such as ocean technology, robotics, digital imaging, software development, e-learning, genetics, aquaculture, food production, fabrication, offshore oil exploration and development and subsea electricity transmission for the Muskrat Falls project”.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) announced pursuant to Standing Order 63(3) that the Resolution of which the Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, December 11th.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) 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, December 10th, 2013.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to give serious consideration to making repairs to Route 440.

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 introduce a full-day kindergarten programme for children and families in the Province.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to enact legislation banning the use of Temporary Replacement Workers during a strike.

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 Bide Arm is in receipt of broadband internet service.

The Member for Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the calcium chloride application programme.

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 communities within the Park.

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The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate the Family Violence Intervention Court.

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 support the users of Route 480 in their request to have Route 480 resurfaced.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Murphy) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to provide the resources necessary to ensure that the Public Library in Conception Bay South can continue to operate.

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) moved, 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.

The Speaker put the question on the motions that the House not adjourn at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 10 o'clock in the evening and declared the motions carried.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Schools Act, 1997" (Bill No. 28) and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be now read the second time.

Pursuant to order and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Schools Act, 1997" (Bill No. 28) was read the second time and on motion it was ordered that Bill No. 28 be referred to a Committee of the Whole House now.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House.

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Verge took the Chair of Committee of the Whole House.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole (Mr. Verge) reported that the Committee of the Whole House had considered the matters to them referred and had

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passed a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Schools Act, 1997" (Bill No. 28) without amendment.

On motion the Committee of the Whole House was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the third time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 10th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.