

Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

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 Wanda Baker-Foster.

The Member for Virginia Waters (Ms. Bennett) made a Statement to recognize the pupils in Ms. Alison Hammond's Grade 6 class at Mary Queen of Peace School who have used their talents to raise funding to support the children at the Janeway Hospital.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to congratulate Todd Wight for becoming Newfoundland and Labrador's first Certified Hotel General Manager.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate all those who were honoured at the Stephen Awards Banquet.

The Member for Trinity – Bay de Verde (Mr. Crocker) made a Statement to congratulate all those who organized and participated in the Baccalieu Idol musical competition.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Cross) made a Statement to recognize the Building Bridges Youth Theatre for the success of their theatrical performances during the 2015 season.

The Honourable the Premier (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to inform the House about the Climate Change Summit which he attended recently.

The Honourable the Minister of Health and Community Services (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to recognize National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement about discussions which have taken place between Government and various interested agencies concerning the importance of prioritizing road safety.

The Member for Baie Verte – Springdale (Mr. Pollard) presented the Report of the Select Committee struck to draft an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) the debate on the Report was deferred.

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The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Dalley) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Canada-Newfoundland And Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Newfoundland And Labrador Act” (Bill No. 2);

A Bill,            “An Act To Amend The Hydro Corporation Act, 2007” (Bill No. 3).

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Brazil) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Works, Services And Transportation Act” (Bill No. 4).

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 provide all necessary resources in Budget 2015 and beyond to have the Portugal Cove – St. Philips intermediate school constructed, commissioned and operational for students in September 2016.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Hillier):

**“BE IT RESOLVED** that the House of Assembly urge Government to establish a Seniors’ Advocate Office.”

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

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Ball, Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Joyce, Ms. Cathy Bennett, Mr. Jim Bennett, Mr. Slade, Mr. Mitchelmore, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Lane, Mr. Hillier, Mr. Flynn, Mr. Crocker, Ms. Michael, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Rogers.

Against: Mr. King, Mr. Hutchings, Mr. Kent, Mr. Dalley, Mr. Crummell, Mr. Sandy Collins, Mr. Felix Collins, Mr. Jackman, Mr. Granter, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Cross, Ms. Perry, Mr. Brazil, Mr. Russell, Mr. Forsey, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Dinn, Mr. Cornect, Mr. Hedderson, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Little, Mr. Pollard, Mr. Peach, Mr. McGrath.

The Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

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The Speaker then adjourned the House until Thursday at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 9.

**Sandra Barnes,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.