Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015

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

The Member for Humber East (Mr. Flynn) made a Statement to congratulate Frank Humber for his accomplishments as a Baseball player.

The Member for Virginia Waters (Ms. Bennett) made a Statement to congratulate Jim and Theresa Boland who have received the Brother Jim McSheffrey Community Award.

The Member for St. George's – Stephenville East (Mr. Reid) made a Statement to congratulate the College of the North Atlantic which was presented with two awards at the Colleges and Institutes Canada Awards of Excellence held in Winnipeg.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate Master Warrant Officer Alysha Chaulk, Master Warrant Officer Stephen Eckhert and Master Warrant Officer Andrew Patten of the 2904 Cambrai Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps in Stephenville who have attained the highest level of the National Star of Excellence programme.

The Member for Trinity – Bay de Verde (Mr. Crocker) made a Statement to congratulate the Heart's Content 50+ Club on the launch of the book "By Hook or By Crook" Tales of Days Gone by in Heart's Content.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Cross) made a Statement to recognize Janet Davis for her artistic achievements.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. King) made a Statement to congratulate the recipients of the Newfoundland and Labrador Crime Stoppers' 2015 Police and Peace Officer of the Year Awards: Royal Canadian Mounted Police Staff Sergeant Donald Rogers, Royal Newfoundland Constabulary Constable Scott Mosher and Fishery Officer Sherry Pittman.

The Honourable the Minister of Seniors, Wellness and Social Development (Mr. Jackman) made a Statement to inform the House that June is Recreation Month in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. Crummell) made a Statement to emphasize the importance of promoting Occupational Health and Safety during the 2015 construction season. The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Verge), in compliance with Sections 8 and 10 of the *Public Tender Act*, tabled the Report of the *Public Tender Act* Exceptions for April, 2015.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Verge), in compliance with Section 28 of the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*, tabled the 2013-14 Annual Report of the Office of the Advocate for Children and Youth.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills (Mr. Jackman) tabled the answer to a question asked by the Member for St. John's South (Mr. Osborne) regarding the homeless.

The Member for Bay of Islands (Mr. Joyce) presented a Petition on behalf of certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to review and amend the *Animal Health and Protection Act* to provide for the appointment of representatives of the SPCA as enforcement officers under the legislation.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael):

"WHEREAS following the imposition of the 1992 moratorium on northern cod, the Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans assured inshore harvesters of the Province that upon the return of the resource, the first 115,000 tonnes of 2J3KL cod would be allotted to the adjacent inshore harvesters;

AND WHEREAS the northern cod is showing a resurgence in numbers;

AND WHEREAS the current Federal Minister of Fisheries and Oceans has shown contempt for the principle of adjacency;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House urge Government to call for the Federal Minister to reaffirm the federal policy of returning the first 115,000 metric tonnes of northern cod quota to the adjacent inshore harvesters of Newfoundland and Labrador".

The Speaker put the question on the Resolution and declared the Resolution carried.

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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.