

Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Elizabeth Duff, former Clerk of the House of Assembly.

The Member for Bonavista (Mr. King) made a Statement to wish Sonja Mills and Alicia MacDonald continued success as owners and operators of the Port Rexton Brewing Company.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Richard Levandier.

The Member for Labrador West (Mr. Letto) made a Statement to congratulate the Labrador City Fire Department on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate Adonias Mohammed and Colin Nolan who have received Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

The Member for Harbour Main (Ms. Parsley) made a Statement to congratulate participants in the 2016 NL Summer Games.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to recognize the Pouch Cove Volunteer Fire Department for 41 years of service to the residents of Bauline and Pouch Cove.

The Honourable the Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development (Mr. Kirby) made a Statement to recognize National Bullying Awareness Week.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for Fire and Emergency Services (Mr. Joyce) made a Statement to commend communities, residents and staff of Fire and Emergency Services and the Department of Transportation and Works on their response to the rain storm of October 11<sup>th</sup>.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Ms. Bennett) tabled pursuant to paragraph 26(5)(a) of the **Financial Administration Act**, the following pre-commitments:

- (a) Order in Council 2016-121 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$1,760,000 plus adjustments for CPA (St. John's), against its budgetary appropriations in

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each of the next 10 years, for the provision of 81,421 square feet of hangar spent from Central Holdings Inc.;

- (b) Order in Council 2016-125 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funding in the amount of \$39,759,499 against its 2017-18 budget appropriations to facilitate the award of contracts to Johnson's Construction Limited for the paving of the Trans Labrador Highway from Red Bay to Lodge Bay and from Lodge Bay to Charlottetown Junction;
- (c) Order in Council 2016-122 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$2,450,000 against its budgetary appropriations in 2017-18, to facilitate a contract extension with Johnson's Construction Limited for road maintenance services on the Trans-Labrador Highway between Red Bay and Happy Valley-Goose Bay to September 30, 2017;
- (d) Order in Council 2016-086 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funding in the amount of \$1,997,400 against its 2017-18 budget appropriations to facilitate the award of a contract to Magna Contracting & Management Inc. for the construction of Virginia Park School;
- (e) Order in Council 2016-183 which authorized the Office of the Chief Information Officer to pre-commit funds of up to \$10,000 against its budgetary appropriations for each year from 2017-18 to 2020-21, to facilitate the award of a contract to Carleton Technologies for support and maintenance of the new Point of Sale Solution for the Rooms Corporation of Newfoundland and Labrador;
- (f) Order in Council 2016-196 which authorized the Department of Transportation and Works to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$1,040,000 against its 2017-2018 budgetary appropriations to facilitate a contract award for the replacement of the LaManche Bridge to Trident Construction Limited;
- (g) Order in Council 2016-198 which authorized the Department of Justice and Public Safety to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$185,712 against its budgetary appropriations in each of fiscal years 2017/18 through to 2025/26 and \$61,904 in fiscal year 2026/27 to facilitate a 10-year lease contract with Cyril Babb Limited for the provision of space for the Provincial Court at Harbour Grace;

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- (h) Order in Council 2016-215 which authorized the Office of the Chief Information Officer to pre-commit funds of up to \$8.2 million against its budget appropriations in each of 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20 to facilitate an agreement with Flextrack Inc. for Managed Service Provider services;
- (i) Order in Council 2016-254 which authorized the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$1,106,500 against its 2017-2018 budgetary appropriations to facilitate the award of a contract to Jenco Limited for heating and electrical upgrades at J.R. Smallwood Middle School;
- (j) Order in Council 2016-259 which authorized the Department of Service Newfoundland and Labrador to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$403,200 against its 2017-18 budgetary appropriations and \$39,200 against its 2018-19 budgetary appropriations to facilitate a one-year contract extension with Unisys Canada Inc.;

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne), pursuant to paragraph 19(5)(a) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, tabled the minutes of the meetings of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on September 22, 2015, November 6, 2015, March 16, 2016, March 23, 2016, May 30, 2016, June 29, 2016, and July 15, 2016.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Create Safe Access Zones Around Facilities And Homes Of Doctors And Service Providers Providing Or Facilitating Abortion Services” (Bill No. 43).

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. Joyce), on behalf of the Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Hawkins) 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. 40).

The Honourable the Minister of Service NL (Mr. Joyce) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend the Highway Traffic Act No. 3” (Bill No. 42).

The Member for Virginia Waters – Pleasantville (Mr. Bernard Davis) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

**“WHEREAS** the upgrading and development of road infrastructure is of paramount importance to the economic future of Newfoundland and Labrador;

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**AND WHEREAS** the traditional approach to road construction has led to momentous traffic back-ups, delays and frustration for citizens, tourists and businesses alike;

**AND WHEREAS** it can be shown that nighttime paving will significantly reduce the negative impacts of road construction through traffic slow-downs and travel delays;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this Honourable House supports the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador initiative to implement a pilot project early in 2017 which uses nighttime paving as its primary method for completing the work.”

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the following Resolution:

“**WHEREAS** section 85 of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* provides that the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner be filled by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council on a resolution of the House of Assembly;

**AND WHEREAS** section 85 further provides that the Speaker establish a selection committee for that purpose;

**AND WHEREAS** that selection committee was established and that committee submitted a roster of qualified candidates to the Speaker of the House of Assembly;

**AND WHEREAS** section 89 provides that the Lieutenant-Governor may, on the recommendation of the House of Assembly Management Commission appoint an acting commissioner if the office becomes vacant;

**AND WHEREAS** the office was vacated and Mr. Donovan Molloy was on the recommendation of the selection committee appointed in an acting capacity on July 22, 2016;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Mr. Donovan Molloy be appointed as the Information and Privacy Commissioner.”

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Virginia Waters – Pleasantville (Mr. Davis) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge

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Government to strike an all-party committee on school busing to make recommendations to Government for the improvement of the school busing system in the province.

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 keep libraries open and work on a long term plan to strengthen the library system.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reinstate funding for health care in rural Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to enlarge the law enforcement presence in the Conception Bay South area.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to make representation to the Federal Government to encourage them to change policy regulations linking harvesting quotas to vessel length.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the decision to make cuts to teacher allocations and to the educational system.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Judicature Act" (Bill No. 39) was introduced and read the first time and on motion it was ordered that the said Bill be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Address in Reply 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, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

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On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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