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

The Member for Conception Bay South (Mr. Petten) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Gerald Morgan Greenslade.

The Member for St. George's – Humber (Mr. Reid) made a Statement to congratulate Cody Blanchard who recently set a new Nova Scotia record in his class for Weightlifting.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) made a Statement to congratulate the NL Federation of Labour on their 80th anniversary.

The Member for Virginia Waters – Pleasantville (Mr. Bernard Davis) made a Statement to congratulate Major William G. Tilley on his 102nd birthday.

The Member for Fogo Island – Cape Freels (Mr. Bragg) made a Statement to thank Leo Blackmore for his contribution to his community as a volunteer and wish him well as he battles ill-health.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Coady) made a Statement to welcome Anadarko Petroleum Corporation to the Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador offshore area.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice and Public Safety (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to commend the Law Society for holding a special Call to Bar ceremony to honour the following five students at law who took part in the First World War effort and did not have the opportunity to complete their studies after the war: Cecil Clift, killed in action, John Clift who died of complications of war wounds in 1920, William Hutchings, Janet Miller and Harris Oke.

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 much needed supports to those who need them and develop a plan to address further the growing needs of people requiring home care support.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to develop a plan to address the shortage of long-term care beds immediately.

The Member for Cape St. Francis (Mr. Kevin Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge the

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Federal Government not to implement a cost or fees for those participating in the recreational ground fishery in 2017.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Holloway):

"WHEREAS Newfoundland and Labrador has a diverse and thriving social enterprise sector, which is actively meeting social, cultural, economic and environmental needs throughout the Province;

AND WHEREAS social enterprises can help communities control their own economic future, fill critical gaps in the economy, and provide space for a new generation of entrepreneurs to apply their skills;

AND WHEREAS social enterprise development is another innovation tool for advancing regional growth opportunities to benefit the economy;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House supports the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's initiative to implement a social enterprise action plan, including long-term strategic goals supported by an annual work plan, early in 2017."

During the debate the Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) moved the following amendment to the Resolution:

"that the Resolution be amended by adding immediately after the third recital the following:

"AND WHEREAS the province has made significant advances in promoting social enterprise growth through the initiatives of the Voluntary and Non-Profit Secretariat, the Office of Public Engagement and others working in collaboration with the social enterprise sector throughout Newfoundland and Labrador;"

and by deleting the word "implement" and substituting the words "build on the hard work and success of the social enterprise sector in our province by implementing".

The Speaker (Ms. Dempster) suspended the proceedings at 3:27 o'clock in the afternoon to consider the amendment.

The Speaker (Ms. Dempster) resumed the Chair at 3:43 o'clock in the afternoon and ruled the amendment in order.

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Debate continued and concluded on the amendment to the Resolution and the Resolution itself.

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

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

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.