

Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

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

The Member for Burin – Grand Bank (Ms. Haley) made a Statement to congratulate Ray Cuza who has won an “Exceptional Sailors” award and George Bennett who has been awarded an Exemplary Service Medal and Bar.

The Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Holloway) made a Statement to recognize Mrs. Florence Green for her life-long dedication as a teacher and community volunteer.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) made a Statement to recognize the Goulds Atom B Pacers players and their coaches on the teams achievement in winning the Gold Medal at the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual All Star Invitational Christmas Hockey Tournament.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) made a Statement to pay tribute to Dr. Ragaie Diebes on his recognition by Wow the World and thank him for his service to his community.

The Member for Bonavista (Mr. King) made a Statement to congratulate the Discovery Collegiate Destroyers boys volleyball team, winners of the NL 3A Varsity Volleyball Provincials.

The Member for Mount Pearl – Southlands (Mr. Lane) made a Statement to congratulate the winners of this year's Mount Pearl Athletic Awards.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Hawkins) made a Statement to inform the House that the Department of Transportation and Works had issued a tender for an asphalt testing pilot project that will examine what asphalt specification is best suited for our climate and environment.

The Honourable the Minister Responsible for Climate Change (Mr. Trimper) made a Statement to inform the House that the Department had updated the Turn Back the Tide website to provide the public with user-friendly information about climate change and energy efficiency.

The Honourable the Minister of Fisheries and Land Resources (Mr. Crocker) tabled a document relating to the location of 20 Wilderness and Ecological Reserves.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Osborne), in compliance with Sections 8 and 10 of the *Public Tender Act*, tabled the Report of *Public Tender Act* Exceptions for August, September and October, 2016.

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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 not to impose a provincial sales tax on books.

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 ensure the safety of all children by removing the 1.6 km busing policy where safety is a concern.

The Member for St. John's East – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to use All Party Town Hall Events to enable people to express their concerns to all parties.

The Member for Ferryland (Mr. Hutchings) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to provide resources to upgrade Route 13.

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 increase mental health services and programmes in our province's K-12 school system.

Pursuant to notice and on motion the Bill entitled "An Act Respecting Patient Safety And Quality Assurance In The Province" (Bill No. 70) 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 commenced on Second Reading of a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Highway Traffic Act No. 5" (Bill No. 68) 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, Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

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