

**JOURNALS AND PROCEEDINGS**

**of the**

**FORTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**of**

**NEWFOUNDLAND and LABRADOR**

**2019**

**Administration of the Oath or Affirmation of Office to  
Members-elect**

**AND**

**The Election of the Speaker of the House of Assembly**

Begun and holden at St. John's in the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador on Monday, the Tenth Day of June, Two Thousand and Nineteen, being the Sixty-Eighth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Second by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada, and Her Other Realms and Territories, QUEEN, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019

In accordance with the **Elections Act, 1991**, a General Election was held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019 after which Her Honour, the Honourable Judy M. Foote, PC, ONL, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador issued the following Proclamation:

**“ELIZABETH THE SECOND**, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, Canada and Her Other Realms and Territories **QUEEN**, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

Judy M. Foote  
**Lieutenant Governor**

Lisa Dempster  
**Registrar General**

**TO: Sandra Barnes**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly

and

**Elizabeth Murphy**  
Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly

**GREETING:**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** under section 128 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, I, as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, am authorized to administer the Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to those persons elected to be Members of the House of Assembly in the General Election held on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019;

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**AND WHEREAS** under section 5 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, I, as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, am authorized to administer an Oath or Affirmation of Office to those persons elected to be Members of the House of Assembly in the said General Election;

**AND WHEREAS** the said sections of the Constitution Act, 1867 and the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* further require that the persons declared elected as Members during the General Election held on the said date must take their Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance and Oaths or Affirmations of Office before they can take their seats in the House of Assembly;

**NOW THEREFORE** I, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, do authorize and direct you, the said Sandra Barnes and Elizabeth Murphy, or either of you, to request that the Members Elect gather in the House of Assembly Chamber on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning in order to take their Oaths or Affirmations of Allegiance and Oaths or Affirmations of Office before me.

**WITNESS:** Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Judy M. Foote, Member of the Order of Canada, Chancellor of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador, Lieutenant Governor in and for Our Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

**AT OUR GOVERNMENT HOUSE** in Our City of St. John's this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and nineteen in the sixty-eighth year of Our Reign.

**BY COMMAND,**

Lisa Dempster  
**REGISTRAR GENERAL**

The following is the list of names of those persons returned by the returning officers for the several Electoral Districts to represent those Districts in the General Assembly:

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Brian Warr	Baie Verte – Green Bay
Craig Pardy	Bonavista
Andrew Parsons	Burgeo – La Poile
Carol Anne Haley	Burin – Grand Bank
Kevin Parsons	Cape St. Francis
Steve Crocker	Carbonear – Trinity – Bay de Verde
Lisa Dempster	Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair
David Brazil	Conception Bay East – Bell Island
Barry Petten	Conception Bay South
Gerry Byrne	Corner Brook
Pleaman Forsey	Exploits
Loyola O’Driscoll	Ferryland
Derrick Bragg	Fogo Island – Cape Freels
Elvis Loveless	Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune
John Haggie	Gander
Chris Tibbs	Grand Falls-Windsor – Buchans
Pam Parsons	Harbour Grace – Port de Grave
Helen Conway Ottenheimer	Harbour Main
Eddie Joyce	Humber – Bay of Islands
Dwight Ball	Humber – Gros Morne
Perry Trimper	Lake Melville

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Derek Bennett	Lewisporte - Twillingate
Jim Lester	Mount Pearl North
Paul Lane	Mount Pearl – Southlands
Sarah Stoodley	Mount Scio
Sherry Gambin-Walsh	Placentia – St. Mary’s
Jeff Dwyer	Placentia West – Bellevue
Christopher Mitchelmore	St. Barbe – L’Anse aux Meadows
Scott Reid	St. George’s – Humber
James Dinn	St. John’s Centre
Alison Coffin	St. John’s East – Quidi Vidi
Siobhan Coady	St. John’s West
Tony Wakeham	Stephenville – Port au Port
Lloyd Parrott	Terra Nova
Paul Dinn	Topsail – Paradise
Lela Evans	Torngat Mountains
Bernard Davis	Virginia Waters – Pleasantville
Tom Osborne	Waterford Valley
Ches Crosbie	Windsor Lake

At 10:00 o’clock in the morning, those Members returned by the returning officers as noted above and as confirmed by the Chief Electoral Officer in Notices published in Extraordinary Editions of **The Newfoundland and Labrador Gazette** on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, and June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, gathered within the precinct with family and friends seated in the Public Galleries. Whereupon, Sandra Barnes, the Clerk of the House of Assembly, and Elizabeth Murphy, Clerk Assistant preceded by Wayne Harnum, the Sergeant-at-Arms,

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entered the Chamber followed by the Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, the Honourable Judy M. Foote, PC, ONL.

The Clerk of the House addressed the gathering and then read the above-noted Proclamation as issued under the Great Seal of the Province.

The Clerk of the House of Assembly having called the names of the Members returned for the several Districts, those Members-elect appeared and took and subscribed to the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance and the Oath or Affirmation of Office in the presence of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, as follows:

Brian Warr	Baie Verte – Green Bay
Craig Pardy	Bonavista
Andrew Parsons	Burgeo – La Poile
Carol Anne Haley	Burin – Grand Bank
Kevin Parsons	Cape St. Francis
Steve Crocker	Carbonear – Trinity – Bay de Verde
Lisa Dempster	Cartwright – L’Anse au Clair
David Brazil	Conception Bay East – Bell Island
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Pam Parsons	Harbour Grace – Port de Grave
Helen Conway Ottenheimer	Harbour Main
Eddie Joyce	Humber – Bay of Islands
Dwight Ball	Humber – Gros Morne
Perry Trimper	Lake Melville
Derek Bennett	Lewisporte – Twillingate
Jim Lester	Mount Pearl North
Paul Lane	Mount Pearl – Southlands
Sarah Stoodley	Mount Scio
Sherry Gambin-Walsh	Placentia – St. Mary's
Jeff Dwyer	Placentia West – Bellevue
Christopher Mitchelmore	St. Barbe – L'Anse aux Meadows
Scott Reid	St. George's – Humber
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**GREETING:**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS** a General Election of the Members of the General Assembly of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador was held on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019;

**AND WHEREAS** the Office of the Speaker of the House of Assembly is vacant and it is expedient to call together the Forty-Ninth General Assembly for the Members of the House of Assembly to proceed to elect their choice of Speaker;

**NOW THEREFORE** I, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador, do authorize and direct you, the said Sandra Barnes and Elizabeth Murphy, or either of you, to signify to the Members of the said House of Assembly to assemble for the dispatch of business on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and that it is my pleasure that they should proceed to choose some person to be their Speaker and to present such person for my approbation.

**WITNESS:** Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Judy M. Foote, Member of the Order of Canada, Chancellor of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador, Lieutenant Governor in and for Our Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

**AT OUR GOVERNMENT HOUSE** in Our City of St. John's this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and nineteen in the sixty-eighth year of Our Reign.

**BY COMMAND,**

Lisa Dempster  
**REGISTRAR GENERAL”**

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Whereupon Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor left the Chamber.

The Clerk informed the Members that at the close of nominations for the Office of Speaker at 4:30 o'clock on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 one candidate had put his name forward, Mr. Perry Trimper. Accordingly pursuant to suborder 4(4) of the Standing Orders, Mr. Perry Trimper, the Member for Lake Melville was acclaimed Speaker of the Forth-Ninth General Assembly.

Mr. Trimper was conducted to the Speaker's Chair by the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) and the Leader of the Official Opposition (Mr. Crosbie).

Whereupon, the Honourable the Speaker having seated himself in the Speaker's Chair addressed the House, expressing his gratitude to the Honourable Members for the high honour they had unanimously accorded him by electing him Speaker of the House of Assembly.

On motion of the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball), seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition (Mr. Crosbie), the Member for St. George's – Humber (Mr. Reid) was elected Deputy Speaker of the House.

On motion of the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball), seconded by the Leader of the Official Opposition (Mr. Crosbie), the Member for Mount Pearl - Southlands (Mr. Lane) was elected Deputy Chair of Committees.

At 1:45 o'clock in the afternoon the Sergeant-at-Arms notified the Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Trimper) that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable Judy M. Foote, PC, ONL had arrived.

Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor entered the Assembly Chamber preceded by the Sergeant-At-Arms.

The Speaker left the Chair, whereupon the Lieutenant Governor having taken her seat, the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) addressed Her Honour as follows:

"May it please Your Honour:

The House of Assembly, agreeable to Your Honour's Command, have proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, and have elected Perry Trimper, Esquire, Member for the District of Lake Melville, to that office, and by their direction, I present him for Your Honour's approval."

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Her Honour was then pleased to reply:

“On behalf of Her Majesty, I assure you of my sense of your efficiency and I do most fully approve and confirm you as the Speaker.”

Whereupon the Speaker addressed Her Honour as follows:

“Your Honour having approved the choice of this House in constituting me as its Speaker, it now becomes my duty in the name of the representatives of Her Majesty’s loyal subjects, the people of this Province, respectfully to claim of Your Honour their accustomed rights and privileges, especially that they shall have freedom of speech in their debates, that they may be free from arrest during their attendance in Parliament and that I, as Speaker, may have full access to Your Honour’s presence at all reasonable times, and that they have confirmed to them all their ancient rights and privileges which have been confirmed to them by Your Honour’s Predecessors.”

Her Honour was then pleased to reply:

“On behalf of Her Majesty, I do confirm this House in the enjoyment of all their ancient and undoubted rights and privileges.”

Her Honour was then pleased to open the Session with a Speech From the Throne.

Her Honour then left the Assembly Chamber.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) and by leave of the House, a Bill entitled, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act" No. 1) was introduced and read the first time.

On motion it was ordered that Bill No. 1 be read the second time on tomorrow.

The Speaker announced that Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor had been pleased to make a Speech to the Members of the House of Assembly and directed the Pages to distribute copies to all Members.

It was moved by the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Mr. Loveless), seconded by the Member for Mount Scio (Ms. Stoodley), that an Address of Thanks be presented to Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor in reply to the Gracious Speech with which she had been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature, and that a Select Committee be appointed to draft the Address In Reply.

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The Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Crosbie), the Leader of the Third Party (Ms. Coffin) and the Honourable the Premier (Mr. Ball) also spoke to the motion.

The motion was adopted by the House and it was ordered accordingly that the following Members be appointed to the Select Committee to draft the Address in Reply:

Mr. Elvis Loveless, Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune,  
Ms. Sarah Stoodley, Member for Mount Scio,  
Mr. Kevin Parsons, Member for Cape St. Francis.

The Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

**“BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Standing Orders Committee be directed to undertake a scan of Question Period rules and procedures in various jurisdictions and bring forward for consideration during the fall sitting of 2019 a recommendation to amend the Standing Orders of the House respecting Oral Questions to require Ministers to answer questions in a manner which is brief and to the point and relevant and responsive to the question.”

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Brazil) announced, pursuant to Standing Order 63(3), that the Resolution of which the Member for Windsor Lake (Mr. Crosbie) had given notice would be debated on Private Members’ Day, Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following motion: “That this House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government” (Budget Speech).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to Consider a Resolution for the Granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty (Bill No. 2).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Authorize The Raising Of Money By Way Of Loan By The Province” (Bill No. 3).

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Osborne) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to Consider Certain Resolutions for the Granting of Supply to Her Majesty” (Bill No. 4).

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The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the following amendment:

“That Standing Order 74 be amended by adding immediately after Standing Suborder 74(2) the following:

- (3) Notwithstanding Standing Suborder 74(2), where a Head of Expenditure has been referred to a Committee established under Standing Order 72 and the time used in debate of that Head of Expenditure exceeds 3 hours, the additional time shall also be deducted from the time allocated under Standing Order 71.”

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to move the following motion:

“That the Committees of the House of Assembly for the 49<sup>th</sup> General Assembly be constituted as follows:

#### **Government Services Committee**

the Member for Harbour Grace – Port de Grave  
 the Member for Conception Bay South  
 the Member for Ferryland  
 the Member for Fogo Island – Cape Freels  
 the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune  
 the Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate  
 the Member for Mount Scio  
 the Member for St. John’s East – Quidi Vidi

#### **Resource Committee**

the Member for St. George’s – Humber  
 the Member for Cape St. Francis  
 the Member for Fogo Island – Cape Freels  
 the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune  
 the Member for Harbour Grace – Port de Grave  
 the Member for Mount Scio  
 the Member for St. John’s East – Quidi Vidi  
 the Member for Terra Nova

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**Social Services Committee**

the Member for Lewisporte – Twillingate  
the Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island  
the Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune  
the Member for Harbour Grace – Port de Grave  
the Member for Mount Scio  
the Member for St. George's – Humber  
the Member for St. John's Centre  
the Member for Topsail – Paradise

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, June 11<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.