

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY



REPORT OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

ON

THE LABRADOR WEST BY ELECTION

MARCH 13, 2007

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July 2, 2007

Honourable Harvey Hodder Speaker House of Assembly Main Floor, East Block Confederation Building St. John's, NL

Dear Speaker:

Section 214 of the Elections Act states that "The Chief Electoral Office shall publish within 9 months after each general election and each by election a book containing pertinent statistics of the election, including poll by poll results of each electoral district." That report with respect to the February 12, 2007 By Election in the electoral district of Labrador West is now complete.

Section 273(3) states that "The Chief Electoral Officer shall report annually to the Speaker upon the affairs of the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer under this part and the report shall be laid before the House of Assembly at the first convenient opportunity."

I am enclosing at this time copies of the Labrador West By Election for distribution to Members of the House of Assembly as per Section 19.1 (1) and (2) of the House of Assembly Act as outlined below.

19.1 (1) Notwithstanding another Act, where a report or other document that an officer of the House of Assembly is required to submit to the House of Assembly is submitted to the Speaker or the Clerk of the House of Assembly when the Assembly is not in session, the Speaker or the Clerk shall provide a copy to each member and make it available for inspection by the public immediately after the report or other document is submitted.

(2) A report or other document is considered to have been tabled before the House of Assembly when it is submitted to the Speaker or Clerk under subsection (1).

I trust this meets with your approval.

Sincerely,

LABRADOR WEST BY ELECTION

On Monday, February 19, 2007 a Writ of Election was issued for a by election in the Electoral District of Labrador West to be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2007. The by election was called to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of New Democrat Randy Collins who resigned on February 14, 2007.

The List of Electors that was printed on February 19, 2007 was used as the Preliminary List and contained 7641 electors. Throughout the election period, updates to the list continued to be made until 4:00 p.m., Saturday March 10, 2007. A revised list containing 7474 electors was subsequently printed which identified electors who applied to vote by special (mail in) ballot, electors who voted at the advance poll and electors who applied to be added as well as other changes such as elector moves and corrections to electors' names and/or addresses. This final revised list was distributed to political parties and candidates on Sunday, March 11, 2007 and was used by the Returning Officer for the electoral district and all election officials as the Official List of Electors on polling day.

Nomination Day was held on Saturday, March 10, 2007 with a total of four candidates officially nominated at the close; namely Jim Baker for the Progressive Conservative Party, Ron Barron for The Labrador Party, Darrel Brenton for the New Democratic Party and Karen Oldford for the Liberal Party.

The advance poll was held on Saturday, March 10, 2007 in two locations, Wabush and Labrador City.

A total of 50 Special (Mail In) Ballot applications were received and approved with 39 ballot kits returned by the 4:00 p.m., Saturday, March 10, 2007 deadline.

The preliminary count on election night resulted in 4011 votes cast. There were a total of 183 votes cast at two advance polls; 39 votes cast by special (mail in) ballot and 3789 votes cast at 25 regular polls with a 54% voter turnout. Mr. Baker received 1666 votes, Mr. Barron received 670 votes; Mr. Brenton received 1240 votes and Ms. Oldford received 427 votes. There were a total of 8 rejected ballots and 5 cancelled ballots. A total of 534 electors were "sworn in" at the advance, special (mail in) ballot and regular polls.

The Official Addition of the Votes was held on Friday, March 16, 2007 at the Office of the Returning Officer. The results confirmed the preliminary results on election night. Mr. Jim Baker was declared elected after the Official Addition and was sworn in as a Member of the House of Assembly on Thursday, March 29, 2007. The results of this by election left representation in the House of Assembly with 35 Progressive Conservatives, 12 Liberals, and 1 New Democrat.

The Chief Electoral Officer would like to extend thanks to the Returning Officer, Mr. Louis Dumaresque, his election clerk, Ms. Cheryl Hardy, the election workers from the district and the staff at the Chief Electoral Office for a job well done.

MARCH 13, 2007 POLLING DIVISION RECAPITULATION OF VOTES FOR THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF LABRADOR WEST

				BALLOTS COUNTED					
NO.	POLLING DIVISION	ELIGIBLE REVISED S 2007 LIST	SWEAR-IN	BAKER Jim PC	BARRON Ron The Labrador Party	BRENTON Darrel NDP	OLDFORD Karen Liberal	REJECTED BALLOTS	TOTAL BALLOTS
1	Labrador City	290	25	43	12	75	7	0	137
2	Labrador City	347	19	43	24	70	11	-	148
3	Labrador City	294	16	83	18	47	19	0	167
4	Labrador City	279	7	72	19	49	17	0	157
5	Labrador City	254	14	61	7	29	16	-	113
6	Labrador City	300	17	75	19	43	24	-	161
7	Labrador City	326	18	92	16	45	19	-	172
8	Labrador City	373	20	63	8	72	15	0	158
9	Labrador City	254	27	63	14	46	29	0	152
10	Labrador City	317	9	55	22	62	8	-	147
11	Labrador City	338	16	80	20	55	19	0	174
12	Labrador City	299	16	72	21	30	10	-	133
13	Labrador City	334	27	55	15	40	19	3	132
14	Labrador City	264	24	55	11	37	20	0	123
15	Labrador City	279	13	56	9	29	10	-	104
16	Labrador City	331	34	48	21	46	14	-	129
17	Labrador City	299	18	42	16	63	17	-	138
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18	Labrador City	341	24	87	18	62	18	0	185
19	Labrador City	292	20	60	16	59	13	0	148
20	Labrador City	334	17	63	21	51	19	-	154
21	Wabush	260	23	51	63	26	10	0	150
22	Wabush	249	20	54	62	33	16	1	166
23	Wabush	293	29	66	72	52	8	-	198
24	Wabush	317	42	71	67	38	18	-	194
25	Wabush	210	24	49	63	21	16	-	149
	Advance, Labrador Cit	ty	14	69	8	43	25	-	145
	Advance, Wabush		1	23	7	5	3	0	38
	Special (Mail In) Ballot	t	-	15	1	12	7	4	39
		7474	534	1666	670	1240	427	8	4011

Polling Division Descriptions

LABRADOR WEST

Total Number of Polling Divisions in District:25

Total Number of Registered Electors in District: 7474

Polling Division	Boundary Descriptions	Registered Electors
1	LABRADOR CITY: DULEY CRESCENT; DULEY LAKE COTTAGES; ASHUANIPI CRESCENT; CANNING AVENUE; MILLS CRESCENT; WALSH RIVER ROAD; AND FLORA CRESCENT.	290
2	LABRADOR CITY: HARRIE LAKE DRIVE; BARTLETT DRIVE(EVEN AND ODD NUMBERS 3000 TO 4038) FROM CIRCULAR ROAD TO DULEY CRESCENT; QUARTZITE CRESCENT; CIRCULAR ROAD (NO HOUSES); AND TANYA CRESCENT.	347
3	LABRADOR CITY: CENTENNIAL DRIVE; D'AIGLE CRESCENT; PROWSE AVENUE; RETTY STREET; BOND STREET; MASSEY CRESCENT; AND BADEN POWELL ROAD.	294
4	LABRADOR CITY: MURPHY CRESCENT; MACDONALD CRESCENT; ROBERTSON AVENUE; LAURIER AVENUE; NASCOPIE AVENUE; AND CHURCHILL STREET.	279
5	LABRADOR CITY: MCPARLAND DRIVE; JACKSON AVENUE; MONTAGNAIS AVENUE; AND VANIER AVENUE.	254
6	LABRADOR CITY: CAROL DRIVE; COOK CRESCENT; AND CORMACK STREET.	300
7	LABRADOR CITY: ELIZABETH AVENUE; CARSON AVENUE; RICHARDS CRESCENT; CURTIS CRESCENT; VIKING CRESCENT; AND CARIBOU CRESCENT.	326
8	LABRADOR CITY: GILBERT AVENUE; BALTIMORE STREET; GUY STREET; OSBOURNE STREET; AVALON DRIVE; SCHEFFER STREET; BEVERLY CRESCENT; BOOTH AVENUE; BANTING STREET; CAMPBLELL DRIVE; AND HUMBER AVENUE.	373

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9	LABRADOR CITY: HUDSON DRIVE; STATION ROAD; SUTTON WAY; AMHERST AVENUE; HUMPHREY ROAD (NO HOUSES); LORRAINE AVENUE; LUCE STREET (NO HOUSES); SMALLWOOD ROAD (NO HOUSES); AND AIRPORT ROAD (NO HOUSES).	254
10	LABRADOR CITY: DRAKE AVENUE; MARCONI AVENUE; CABOT CRESCENT; CARTIER AVENUE; AND GRENFELL CRESCENT.	317
11	LABRADOR CITY: MATTHEW AVENUE; BRISTOL CRESCENT; HOWLEY AVENUE; ROCHE STREET; FIELD STREET; AND BURRY AVENUE.	338
12	LABRADOR CITY: STIRLING CRESCENT; CARTWRIGHT STREET; AND DURRELL STREET.	299
13	LABRADOR CITY: BARTLETT DRIVE (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 213 TO 611); AND BEOTHUCK STREET.	334
14	LABRADOR CITY: BARTLETT DRIVE (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 701 TO 1161); AND HAMILTON STREET.	264
15	LABRADOR CITY: BEAVER AVENUE; DINEEN CRESCENT; EMBASSY AVENUE; JUNIPER CRESCENT; ELM AVENUE; AND MAPLE CRESCENT.	279
16	LABRADOR CITY: BIRCH STREET; CEDAR AVENUE; PINE AVENUE; POPLAR AVENUE; CASHIN CRESCENT; AND CAVENDISH CRESCENT.	331
17	LABRADOR CITY: LAKESIDE DRIVE.	299

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19	LABRADOR CITY: TAMARACK DRIVE FROM DRAKE AVENUE TO WILLOW DRIVE (ODD AND EVEN NUMBERS 301 TO 723).	292
20	LABRADOR CITY: TAMARACK DRIVE FROM WILLOW DRIVE TO HUDSON DRIVE (EVEN AND ODD NUMBERS 724 TO 1005).	334
21	WABUSH: BOND STREET; LEGGE AVENUE; CASHIN AVENUE; SQUIRES AVENUE; MORRIS AVENUE; WALSH STREET; DUNPHY AVENUE; GUY STREET; REID STREET; HOGAN STREET; AND JENNINGS AVENUE.	260
22	WABUSH: WHITEWAY DRIVE AND ANDERSON STREET.	249
23	WABUSH: GRENFELL DRIVE; SNOW'S DRIVE (NO HOUSES); AND DUNFIELD STREET.	D 293
24	WABUSH: BOWATER DRIVE; BALTIMORE STREET; CARSON STREET; BANTING AVENUE; CORMACK STREET; AND WINTER AVENUE.	317
25	WABUSH: CABOT DRIVE; GILBERT AVENUE; AN SHEA STREET.	D 210