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**11:00 A.M.**

**SPEAKER**

Hon. Kevin Murphy

**DEPUTY SPEAKERS**

Suzanne Lohnes-Croft, Brendan Maguire

THE SPEAKER: Order, please. We will begin the daily routine.

**PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

**PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Halifax Atlantic.

BRENDAN MAGUIRE: Madam Speaker, as Chair of the Committee on Private and Local Bills, I am directed to report that the committee has met and considered the following bill:

**Bill No. 245 - Brookside Cemetery Commission Dissolution Act.**

and the committee recommends this bill to the favourable consideration of the House, without amendments.

THE SPEAKER: Ordered that this bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS****STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS****GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Justice.

HON. MARK FUREY: I beg leave to make an introduction before reading my resolution.

THE SPEAKER: Permission granted.

MARK FUREY: I would like to draw my colleagues' attention to the East Gallery, where we're joined today by a number of individuals with United Way. As I call your name, I'm going to ask you to stand - Sara Napier, who is the CEO of United Way Halifax, is not with us this morning. Proud provincial government public servants Mary Lou Burke, who is the executive chair for the provincial United Way campaign; Wayne Woodard, who is the executive co-chair for the provincial campaign; and Karen Forsyth-McNeil is the account executive for the Department of Justice and representing campaign leads for all government departments. Also joining us is Donna Mclean, who loaned her financial skills to this year's campaign; and Michelle Crosby, who contributed her creative marketing skills.

With the support of many deputies, these extremely dedicated individuals helped to lead the province, not only in reaching its fundraising goal but in exceeding it in a very significant way. I ask my colleagues in the House to give them a warm welcome. (Applause)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Justice.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1916**

HON. MARK FUREY: Madam Speaker, I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Nova Scotia public servants give generously to the United Way each and every year through the provincial campaign, embracing the opportunity to support vulnerable Nova Scotians, to advance causes and assist charitable organizations in their communities; and

Whereas with the support of many public servants, deputy ministers, and United Way account leads in each department, staff across government answered the call by

organizing countless activities to raise funds, from online auctions to bake sales and, of course, the ever so popular and challenging harbour swims; and

Whereas these efforts helped to build team spirit, connected staff to the communities they serve, and helped government exceed its target by raising an impressive \$503,967, bringing the total contribution of provincial public servants to over \$3.6 million over the past seven years;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House recognize the tremendous generosity and leadership shown by our dedicated public servants and thank them for their continued efforts, both in their jobs and in their support for the United Way, to ensure Nova Scotians receive the assistance they need.

Madam Speaker, I request waiver of notice and passage without debate.

THE SPEAKER: There has been a request for waiver.

Is it agreed?

It is agreed.

Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

The honourable Deputy Government House Leader.

KEITH IRVING: Madam Speaker, I request unanimous consent of the House to revert to the order of business, Presenting and Reading Petitions.

THE SPEAKER: Is it agreed?

It is agreed.

### **PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

HON. LLOYD HINES: Madam Speaker, may I have permission to make an introduction?

THE SPEAKER: Permission granted.

LLOYD HINES: In the Speaker's Gallery today we have some representatives of the Eastern Shore economic development committee. As I call their names, I would appreciate it if they would stand: Bob Rosborough, Anthony Turner, Pat DeWolfe, Amy DeWolfe, Margaret Stevens, and Brent Stevens. I would ask for the warm welcome of the House for these folks. (Applause)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

HON. LLOYD HINES: Madam Speaker, I beg leave to introduce a petition. The operative clause is:

“We, the undersigned residents of Owls Head/Little Harbour and neighbouring Eastern Shore communities respectfully request the Nova Scotia Government, the Government of Canada and Halifax Regional Municipality Council recognise the importance of economic development on the Eastern Shore, and follow through with the sale of Federal (PID #00555284) and Provincial Crown (PID #00489591, 40751273, 41307992) lands to the Lighthouse Links golf complex project developer.”

Madam Speaker, I have affixed my name.

THE SPEAKER: The petition is tabled.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

**Bill No. 252 - Entitled an Act to Amend Chapter 32 of the Acts of 2014. The Health Authorities Act, Respecting Veterans Fairness. (Barbara Adams)**

**Bill No. 253 - Entitled an Act to Establish the Valour Fund. (Murray Ryan)**

THE SPEAKER: Ordered that these bills be read a second time on a future day.

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

#### **STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage.

#### **ST. PETER'S ANGLICAN CHURCH: PARENTS AND TOTS GRP. - THANKS**

BARBARA ADAMS: I rise today to recognize St. Peter's Anglican Church of Eastern Passage for opening up to the community most Tuesday mornings during the week

for Parent and Tots Group. This is a great opportunity to meet and talk with other parents who live nearby, all with children under the school age. They play and they have snacks together, and the parents get a chance to share information and tips. The drop-in sessions are convenient for all of those who are unable to commit to a long-term program.

Mandy Raftus kindly volunteers her time to coordinate and host this wonderful group. I ask all members of the Nova Scotia Legislature to join me in thanking St. Peter's Anglican Church, as well as Mandy Raftus, for their dedication to giving back to their community.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Kings South.

### **CDN. CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY: PRIDE IN OUR COUNTRY - THANKS**

KEITH IRVING: Madam Speaker, last week I had the honour of representing the Province at a Canadian citizenship ceremony held at Acadia University in my home community of Wolfville.

Citizenship Judge Joan Mahoney administered the citizenship oath to 45 new Canadian citizens from 13 countries. The ceremony was highlighted by an unannounced visit from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, evoking gasps of surprise and cheers from our newest citizens, along with their families and friends.

[11:15 a.m.]

In delivering my short remarks of welcome to our newest citizens, I couldn't help but be moved looking out at 45 excited and proud faces, many of whom were wearing red. Citizenship ceremonies generate an overwhelming sense of pride in this country because they shine a light on the richness and strength of our country through its newest citizens.

I ask all members of the House of Assembly to join me in welcoming these 45 new Canadian citizens and thanking them for choosing Nova Scotia as their new home.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid.

### **ACADIA REC. CLUB: 96 YRS. OF COM. SERV. - THANKS**

STEVE CRAIG: Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank the members of the Acadia Recreation Club of Lower Sackville.

In 1925, a group of citizens built a modest hall to provide space to accommodate community activities such as fundraising, dances, and card parties. This year, the Acadia Recreation Club marks its 96<sup>th</sup> year of service.

In the years following, the group also developed the land behind the hall and built a park known as Acadia Park. This allows the community to have an area of enjoyment: a playground, a walking path, flower and vegetable gardens, a mosaic art exhibit, a gazebo, a water fountain, a huge greenspace, and the Charles Fenerty Bandstand.

Madam Speaker, I would ask that all members of the House of Assembly join me in thanking the members of the Acadia Recreation Club for their continued commitment to keeping the club alive for the community of Lower Sackville.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth South.

**WOMEN IN BUS.: METRO TAILORS: 50 YRS. OF BUS. - CONGRATS.**

CLAUDIA CHENDER: Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ekaterini (Katherine) Keramaris. Katherine is celebrating 50 years in business at Metro Tailors on Queen Street in downtown Dartmouth. She started the tailor shop with her husband, Photios Keramaris, when they immigrated here from Greece in 1970. Photios passed away 21 years ago, and Katherine is still at the shop solo every day working her magic on the machine.

As we celebrate International Women's Day, I'd like to take the opportunity to draw your attention to the fact that Dartmouth has a long history of entrepreneurial businesswomen. Along with Katherine, we have trailblazers like Gloria Fisher of Fisher's Stationery, and Interlude Spa's Ruth Kraushar.

Today Dartmouth is populated by female entrepreneurs like Poet Comeau of Lake City Cider, Renée Lavallée of The Canteen, and Brianna Hagell of Vessel Meats. We have successful business owners like Samantha Dixon Slawter of Styles by SD, and Dorothy Yang of Custom Curves as well as independent artists like Rachel Blair-Johns and Briana Corr Scott.

I ask the House to join me in congratulating Katherine and Metro Tailors' 50-year anniversary and to join me in celebrating the powerful women who have come up in her wake.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Annapolis.

**MCNEIL, THERESA: DEATH OF - TRIBUTE**

HON. STEPHEN MCNEIL (The Premier): Madam Speaker, yesterday was International Women's Day. Eleven years ago, our family lost our mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. For many of us - for 13 of her 17 children - she was both our mother and our father.



After the sudden passing of our dad, she raised us with no driver's licence and no job and went on to become the first female sheriff in Canada. She was the rock that we all stood on for many days. When there were blessings of life, she shared them, and with the challenges of life, which come to us all, she absorbed them.

I want her to know that her six daughters are continuing her great tradition of kindness and love and fighting for equality in all its forms and that her 20 granddaughters are continuing to build on her legacy. Her 10 sons who are left - Terry's gone to join her and Dad - and her 21 grandsons are doing all we can to keep up with the girls. I want to let her know that even though she hasn't been here for the last 11 years, she's walked every step of this journey with us. (Standing Ovation)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Pictou West.

### **COLDEST NIGHT 2020: SUPPORTING ROOTS FOR YOUTH SOC. - THANKS**

KARLA MACFARLANE: Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank all the participants, supporters, and donors who made the Coldest Night of the Year 2020 a success.

More than 200 people on 31 teams walked and raised funds for the Pictou County Roots for Youth Society. The society operates Roots House and several other residences for home-insecure youth aged 16 to 24. They also provide guidance, mentorship, and various programs.

The Coldest Night walk is the largest annual fundraiser for the society, with a 2-, 5-, or 10-kilometre option depending on the mobility of the supporter. Fortunately, this year's walk saw calm weather conditions and decent temperatures that hovered around zero.

Once again, I thank everyone who supported the Roots Society by participating in the Coldest Night 2020. The society plays such a vital role in the health and safety of our community and youth.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth South.

### **CHAUVIN, MAX: RETIREMENT - CONGRATS.**

CLAUDIA CHENDER: Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Max Chauvin. Max is the current general manager of the Zatzman Sportsplex. I think I speak for the entire Dartmouth community when I say that he will be deeply missed when he retires from his position this Spring.

Max brought his 35 years of experience in recreation facility management and non-profit governance to the table during the redevelopment of the Dartmouth Sportsplex. He helped manifest a vision for a truly inclusive space to serve all of Dartmouth's demographics, which can be felt throughout the new facility and which has made it the best recreation facility in the HRM. I've said this before in this House: the Zatzman Sportsplex is both beautiful and accessible.

Max, your boundless energy is infectious, your sartorial style is unparalleled, and your dedication to Dartmouth will be felt for years to come. You will be missed, but I am sure we will see you on the waterslides.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Lunenburg West.

**PARK VIEW LADY PANTHERS HOCKEY CLUB:  
REMARKABLE SEASON - CONGRATS.**

HON. MARK FUREY: Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Park View Lady Panthers Hockey Club on their exciting and successful season, concluding their season as host to the Division 1 Girls Provincial Hockey Championships.

After an exciting shootout win in the semifinals, the Park View Lady Panthers, coached by Ken Foote, earned their place in the championship game. This determined and hard-working team would go on to be silver medallists, making them the first-ever Park View hockey team to win a provincial medal.

I ask members of this House of Assembly to please join me in congratulating the Park View Lady Panthers Hockey Club on a remarkable season.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Queens-Shelburne.

**N. QUEENS NURSING HOME: 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIV. - THANKS**

KIM MASLAND: Madam Speaker, on March 11<sup>th</sup> North Queens Nursing Home will celebrate its 25<sup>th</sup> year of operation in its current facility. This facility is very special to me and to the people of Queens County.

The home first opened in 1938 as the Wright Nursing Home. In 1944 it became the Cottage Hospital, primarily supporting maternity care, and then it eventually evolved into the North Queens Nursing Home.

It not only serves as a long-term care facility for seniors but provides support to non-resident seniors, Meals on Wheels, and intergenerational programs with area schools. It provides clinical training rotations for students from secondary schools, colleges, and universities.

I ask all members of the House to join me in congratulating North Queens Nursing Home on this milestone anniversary and thank them for continuing to provide exceptional care to our residents.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Bedford.

**D'ENTREMONT, SIMON: STUNNING PHOTOS - BRAVO**

HON. KELLY REGAN: Madam Speaker, I'd like to tell the Legislature about a Bedford resident who takes amazing wildlife photos and astrophotos.

Simon d'Entremont takes the most fantastic shots. His Instagram feed is just stunning. In recent weeks I've seen a tiny green-winged teal so close that you're sure you can reach out and touch it, water falling off a duck's back, a male tufted duck which is rarely seen here in Nova Scotia, and a bald eagle raising its wings and ruffling its feathers. Every stunning shot is accompanied by information about the creature we're observing and its name in French - so, bald eagle, pygargue à tete blanche; tufted duck, fuligule morillon; boreal chickadee, mésange à tete brune.

When I check out Simon's photos, I feel like I get a beautiful experience, an ornithology lesson, and a French tutorial all rolled into one post. Simon credits patience and taking hundreds of shots, sometimes thousands, for his success.

His name may be familiar to the members of this House. By day Simon d'Entremont is the Deputy Minister of Energy and Mines, and Seniors, and I suspect that patience plays a role there as well. Bravo, Simon.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth East.

**HARTLEN, DEBORAH: THE FLAG SHOP - CONGRATS.**

TIM HALMAN: Madam Speaker, as yesterday was International Women's Day, I rise to recognize Dartmouth East resident Dr. Deborah Hartlen, an entrepreneur who independently owns and operates the Flag Shop Nova Scotia in Dartmouth East.

The Flag Shop Nova Scotia is quick to adapt in a constantly changing market and is seizing opportunities to serve our community. When there was a lack of services relating to signal flags for the military community, the Flag Shop stepped in and developed a production method to meet their needs.

Not only have they recently celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, they have also been recognized by the Halifax Chamber of Commerce as a finalist in the Halifax Business Awards.

Madam Speaker, I ask the members of this House to join me in congratulating Dr. Hartlen and the staff at the Flag Shop Nova Scotia for their long-standing business services and for their recognition by the Halifax Chamber of Commerce.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Lunenburg West.

**SIA, VALERIE: 2019 YOUNG CITIZENS AWARD - CONGRATS.**

HON. MARK FUREY: I rise today to congratulate Valerie Sia of Bridgewater on winning the 2019 Young Citizens Award. Valerie received her award at the Canadian Museum of History in Gatineau, Quebec, on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Young Citizens program is a contest that sees students across Canada compete for a trip to Ottawa to attend the Canada's History Forum by creating a short video on their heritage fair topic. Valerie's four-minute story, titled *Railroaded: How the Chinese Railway Workers in British Columbia were Treated from 1881-1885*, took her two months to complete and demonstrates the tireless efforts of Chinese labourers as they overcame discrimination and dangerous conditions to provide a better life for their families.

I would ask members of the House of Assembly to join me in congratulating Valerie Sia on receiving the 2019 Young Citizens Award.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Cumberland North.

**WESSELL, GREG: CHOKING RESCUE - COMMEND**

ELIZABETH SMITH-MCCROSSIN: Today I rise to recognize Greg Wessell of Amherst. Greg recently took a first-aid course and was able to put his new-found knowledge to great use. While running errands he noticed a person who was choking in a store. After assessing the situation and realizing this person needed help, Greg calmly put his skills to work and was able to stop the person from choking.

Greg is a good Samaritan and a great example of how our communities are stronger when we help each other. I encourage all citizens to learn first aid and CPR, as you never know when you may be in a situation to save another's life.

Today, Madam Speaker, I would like to thank Greg for his act of heroism in helping to save a person's life.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Fairview-Clayton Park.

**HAWKS MINOR HOCKEY: SEASON'S VICTORIES - CONGRATS.**

HON. PATRICIA ARAB: I'm always proud to talk about the accomplishments in my local minor hockey association, and this season has been a stellar one so far.

On January 6<sup>th</sup>, the Halifax Hawks Pee-Wee B Black Team brought home the banner from the David Kelly Memorial Hockey Tournament in Saint John. Although they lost the first two games, the players were able to turn it around with their determination and grit and, as a result, the Pee-Wee B Black Team won both the semifinal and crossover games and penalty shootouts.

In addition to their success, the Pee-Wee AAA Hawks also won the championship at the Valley Winter Tournament on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

I ask that all members of this House join me in celebrating both teams on their successes and in wishing them the best in the remainder of their hockey season.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley.

**WORKPLACE HARASSMENT: WORKING TOWARD FAIRNESS - RECOG.**

LARRY HARRISON: I have a constituent who, for 20 years, is feeling the hurt of harassment in the workplace. He was wrongfully dismissed twice from his workplaces and he has suffered the impact of this on his life.

When one goes to work, there's the expectation that there will be fairness with respect to men and women being treated as equal, and that looks should not take precedence over one's mind and ability to do the job. The language we use in our legislation and our workshops should reflect that respect and equality, and we need to remain diligent in our efforts to maintain this.

People, unfortunately, have been hurt by past inequalities and unfair word choices. I can only hope that knowing our standards, policies, and regulations have dramatically changed since then to be more inclusive and encompassing can provide some sense of closure for this gentleman and others who have been hurt.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Bedford.

**DAUGHTER, CAIT - BIRTHDAY WISHES**

HON. KELLY REGAN: I would like to take the opportunity today to send early birthday wishes to my eldest child.

My daughter Cait is one of the smartest people I know. She's also one of the toughest and the hardest working. Cait is a litigator who deals in corporate and construction law, and in a year where she grappled with some health issues and made some difficult changes, she also had her best year ever professionally.

I wish Cait a happy birthday and a spectacular year ahead. Her dad and I are tremendously proud of her. Strong women - may we be them; may we raise them.

[11:30 a.m.]

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Beaver Bank.

**TIMMONS, KATE: JA VENTURE, TRAVELING SAILS - CONGRATS.**

BRAD JOHNS: Madam Speaker, with yesterday being International Women's Day, I rise today to acknowledge a Millwood High School student, Kate Timmons, and her team. Kate is part of the Nova Scotia Junior Achievement Company Program, an after-school program that helps students start their own business.

Kate and her team's company, Travelling Sails, created a book entitled *52 Nova Scotian Adventures* that promotes tourism throughout Nova Scotia. The book won the students recognition in the Junior Achievement program and led to Kate being featured on Global News on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Millwood High's after-school Junior Achievement Company program consists of 18 students, but overall about 200 students participate in the program across this province.

Madam Speaker, I'd like to take the opportunity to congratulate the students of Travelling Sails on their book. I'd encourage everyone to visit the Travelling Sails website and maybe even purchase the book.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth North.

**WORKING MOTHERS: MEETING MANY DEMANDS - HONOUR**

SUSAN LEBLANC: Madam Speaker, on this day following International Women's Day, I want to recognize a special group of women - working mothers.

For all the mothers who work low-paying jobs, or maybe two or three, and who travel on the bus worrying about getting to pick up their kids before the after-school program closes. For all the professional mothers who experience guilt about choosing to have careers and at the same time raising babies. For all the moms who suffer abuse and judgment for working, even when it may not be a choice. For all the moms who work at paid jobs and then also work many hours of unpaid physical and emotional labour at home

- cooking, cleaning, planning play dates, dropping off and picking up kids, registering them for summer camps, and the list goes on.

For some of my favourite working moms: Leesa; Claire; Ann-Marie; Genevieve; Alexis; Burgandy; my sisters Gayle, Tanya and Lisa; my own working mom, Barb; and so many more. I am grateful for their inspiration and friendship. I see them in their joy and difficulties, and I honour them and all working mothers.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Hammonds Plains-Lucasville.

BEN JESSOME: Madam Speaker, I beg leave to make an introduction, please.

THE SPEAKER: Permission granted.

BEN JESSOME: I want to thank this gentleman for patiently waiting in our gallery for the past three business days. You would all be familiar with the Legislative Assistant to the Speaker, Scott Burke. Let's give him a quick round of applause. (Applause)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Hammonds Plains-Lucasville.

**BURKE, SCOTT: BOOK, *PRESIDING BY DESIRE* - CONGRATS.**

BEN JESSOME: Madam Speaker, through you I would like to acknowledge Mr. Burke. He spent the past several years researching and putting together what is now a book titled *Presiding by Desire*. This is a book regarding former Lieutenant Governor MacCallum Grant, from Summerville, Hants County. He served from 1916 to 1925. The manuscript will be available for print this month.

Madam Speaker, I would invite all members to congratulate Mr. Burke on his accomplishment.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Argyle-Barrington.

**N.T.L. QUILTING DAY: PATCHWORK PALS - THANKS**

COLTON LEBLANC: Madam Speaker, March 21, 2020, is National Quilting Day. It is a day to appreciate and recognize skilled quilt makers. I rise today to commend an exceptional group of women in my constituency, the Patchwork Pals quilters' group.

More than 40 ladies from many communities, have common ties, the love to create, socialize and share their passion for quilting. The ladies look forward to their weekly Wednesday meetings at Club Acadien in Eel Brook. It's a labour of love and skill that goes into the making of a quilt. The quilts are donated either to local nursing homes, individuals in need or various organizations that may use them for fundraising raffles.

I ask all members of the Legislature to join me in thanking the dedicated members of Patchwork Pals for their contributions to their communities and wish all quilters the best on National Quilting Day.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Clare-Digby.

**COMEAU, CHAD: VIDEO GAME DESIGNER - CONGRATS.**

HON. GORDON WILSON: Chad Comeau, our local video game designer, is spending his Winter break (from the Cologne Game Lab in Germany) in Clare to work on a video game about the area.

Designing video games is a different path than Chad had envisioned for himself when he graduated from high school. He went to Université de Moncton to take translation and started working in this field after graduating. In his free time, he worked on his real passion: designing video games.

After completing games on donairs and Frenchys, he decided to apply to the prestigious Cologne Game Lab and go into a whole different direction professionally. Midway through his course, he returned home to design the Clare video game that will include our local myths and legends and such activities as the Easter weekend canoe trip. He is now in the area to fine tune the game and should be releasing it shortly.

I congratulate Chad Comeau on deciding to follow his passion and use our area as the source of the stories for his games. This is a wonderful combination of technology and our community.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Pictou Centre.

**DINING AMONG THE STACKS: LIBRARY FUNDRAISER - CONGRATS.**

HON. PAT DUNN: Madam Speaker, it was a pleasure to attend our Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library fundraiser with my colleague for Pictou West.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Dining Among the Stacks was an enjoyable evening of fine dining, music, a silent auction, prizes, and entertainment. Sheree Fitch, a River John author and no stranger to the publishing world, was the guest speaker. She entertained the large crowd with several readings of poems and short stories.

I'd like all members of this Legislature to join me in congratulating all the members of the organizing committee for an outstanding job. The dinner was awesome, the guest speaker was nothing short of perfect, and the event raised dollars to assist numerous projects in the library system.



THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Fairview-Clayton Park.

**HFX. NORTHWEST ROTARY CLUB: NO. 1 FUNDRAISER - CONGRATS.**

HON. PATRICIA ARAB: For those who may not know, the Rotary Club of Halifax Northwest is guided by a mandate to promote peace, fight disease, help mothers and children, support education, and grow local economies. The Rotary Club partners with, and fundraises for, many local organizations that support these initiatives. One of the major fundraisers they sponsor is Chase the Ace at Freeman's Fairview. Proceeds provide ongoing support to projects in the Fairview-Clayton Park communities.

In November, the Rotary Club received the incredible news that their club was No. 1 per capita in the district for annual funds given. Foundation leader Stella Roy presented the board with a banner and certificate from Rotary International in recognition of this outstanding accomplishment.

Madam Speaker, I ask the members of this House join me in thanking board members Dick Hodgson, Maria Caines, Ann Divine, Roger Chiasson, David Divine, Elle Snyder, and the many volunteers at the Rotary Club of Halifax Northwest with their continued efforts in making our community a better place.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage.

**MCINTYRE, MICHAEL - BUS DRIVER: SPIRIT OF KINDNESS - THANKS**

BARBARA ADAMS: Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a very exceptional Metro Transit bus driver in my community: Michael McIntyre. Michael has been a bus driver with Metro Transit for 25 years and currently works the No. 60 bus route through Eastern Passage. Michael has a contagious smile and a positive attitude. His kindness is what the riders notice.

Michael will wait for you to get to the stop. He'll get out and help with strollers and help seniors get on the bus. He always greets everyone with a smile or a wave. It means so much to the riders to be met with such positivity that they look forward to it every day. They're disappointed if he's not on duty. Whether you are just starting your day, or your day is coming to an end, Michael helps to make your day and he's inspiring.

I ask all members of the Nova Scotia Legislature to join me in thanking Michael McIntyre for being such a positive inspiration for our community.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Guysborough-Eastern Shore-Tracadie.

**TOURISM OPERATORS: AREA RICH IN ADVENTURES - WELCOME**

LLOYD HINES: Madam Speaker, as we approach Spring, tourism operators across the constituency will begin getting ready for the Summer season. I would like to take the time to commend their hard work and dedication in promoting our personal slice of paradise and to encourage everyone to come for a visit to Guysborough-Eastern Shore-Tracadie to see what we have to offer.

Tourism operators in our area have been working hard to make Guysborough-Eastern Shore-Tracadie the place to be for your Summer vacations. With our beautiful beaches, provincial parks, museums, historic site, campgrounds, restaurants, and natural features, there is so much to see and do in our area. Once vacation season is upon us the wonderful attractions and activities we have in our area will all be open for business. We're all hoping business will be booming when visitors learn what Guysborough-Eastern Shore-Tracadie has to offer.

Groups in the constituency such as the Sheet Harbour Board of Trade, the Guysborough County Tourism Committee, Sherbrooke Village, Mulgrave, Canso, and Havre Boucher are all working hard to make our area a tourist destination. We would love for you all to come and see it for yourselves.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid.

**SEARS, HOLLY & KEVIN: JAMMIN' ON THE LAKE - THANKS**

STEVE CRAIG: Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank and commend Holly and Kevin Sears, of Lower Sackville.

Holly and Kevin lost their son, Rylee, five years ago to meningitis. Needless to say, their lives were changed forever. For the past three years, Holly and Kevin along with many family members and friends have organized Jammin' on the Lake, a benefit dance to raise funds for the Rylee Sears Memorial Scholarship Fund, which is presented to graduating students from Sackville High School, the school that Rylee would have graduated from.

Madam Speaker, I ask that all members of the House of Assembly join me in thanking Holly and Kevin Sears, along with their family and friends, for turning a devastatingly sad time in their lives into a positive one, allowing Rylee's memory to live on in the Rylee Sears Memorial Scholarship Fund.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Halifax Armdale.

**CRAIGMORE VOLUNS.: COM. SPIRIT - THANKS**

HON. LENA METLEGE DIAB: Madam Speaker, it's neighbours doing the little things that bring communities together.

The residents of the Craigmores, in Armdale, are a great example. Residents have come together to form the Craigmores Social Committee and have organized fun events for residents throughout the year. From weekly TGIF socials and potlucks to barbecues, pizza night, bridge games, and yoga, there's always something going on in the cozy amenity room thanks to volunteers.

Over the last months, the committee has added team trivia and a new-to-you table for swapping art, décor, and books. In fact, residents are bringing their skills to a variety of activities, with Anne MacPhee organizing a traditional boiled dinner last month and a St. Patrick's Day feast this month, also with artist James Vincent Walsh holding a demonstration of the techniques he uses to create finished pieces.

I want to thank Paula, Valerie, John, Morah, Beverly, and all the social committee volunteers for making life in the Craigmores that much more enjoyable.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Pictou West.

**WOMEN'S INSTIT. WK.:  
PICTOU CO. SUPPORTING CHARITIES - THANKS**

KARLA MACFARLANE: I rise today to recognize the Women's Institute Chapters of Pictou County. Recently, the Municipality of Pictou County declared February 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> the Women's Institute Week in Pictou County.

I am proud to say one of the first chapters of the Women's Institute in Nova Scotia began in Salt Springs, a rural community located in Pictou West. There are an astonishing nine Women's Institute chapters in Pictou County, including Abercrombie, Lyons Brook, Caribou, Fox Brook, Springville, MacPhersons Mills, Churchville, Bridgeville, and Garden of Eden. The members support a large number of local and provincial charities.

For this year's Women's Institute Week, the groups collaborated on a common theme of helping local students. They donated items such as socks, hats, mitts, and hygiene products to the schools to support students from grades Primary to 12 with necessities as needed.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the amazing work that the Women's Institute members do in supporting local and provincial charities.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Cape Breton-Richmond.

**SYLLIBOY, THOMAS - DEACON: MILESTONE ORDINATION - CONGRATS.**

ALANA PAON: Mr. Speaker, Thomas Sylliboy is known to many as a coordinator of the mission to St. Anne on Chapel Island as well as a member of the Grand Council. Mr. Sylliboy is also known for his performances with the Cape Breton band The Relatives.

Mr. Speaker, today I would like to recognize Mr. Sylliboy on his recent personal achievement. On September 20<sup>th</sup>, Thomas Sylliboy became the first Mi'kmaw to be ordained to any office of the Catholic Church in over 409 years. Working in the field of social work by day and studying often late into the night, his hard work led to this milestone achievement.

It was my great pleasure to congratulate Mr. Sylliboy personally on February 3<sup>rd</sup> during the installation ceremony for the Most Reverend Wayne Joseph Kirkpatrick, the 10<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Diocese of Antigonish. I call upon the members of this House to recognize Mr. Sylliboy's landmark achievement and his ongoing contribution to his community.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Halifax Needham.

**BUNDY, TANIKA: "LOVING OUR LOCKS" WORKSHOP - THANKS**

LISA ROBERTS: Mr. Speaker, I rise to appreciate Tanika Bundy, a constituent who works as an EPA and with the pre-Primary program at St. Joseph's A. McKay School, in Halifax Needham.

She also makes and sells skin and hair care products, with a focus on meeting the needs of Black women. During African Heritage Month, Tanika offered her Loving Our Locks workshop to students at St. Joseph's A. McKay School, where she shared tips on how to tie and use head scarves and dew rags.

The photos and a video that resulted from that workshop show diverse children paying attention, helping each other out, and confidently displaying their new looks.

Tanika also offered her Loving Our Locks workshop at the Southwest Black Beauty Expo at the Black Loyalist Heritage Centre in Birchtown during African Heritage Month, and she's previously offered it at the Needham Community Centre. I appreciate her leadership and entrepreneurship, and the looks.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank.

[11:45 a.m.]

**BOUDREAU, JACOB: KINDNESS TO THOSE IN NEED - THANKS**

BILL HORNE: Jacob Boudreau is a Waverley teen who has been helping those in need for the last five years through his initiative, The Jacob Project.

This year, when Jacob heard that Hope Cottage was low on stock and reaching out for donations, Jacob knew this was the cause he needed to support. Jacob reached out to the Bedford Coyotes hockey team and they happily joined in the project. The hockey team stepped up in a big way by delivering a well-needed donation for the Hope Cottage program. Jacob was also able to secure a \$300 donation from Keller Williams Realty to support his efforts to replenish the Hope Cottage kitchen pantry.

I ask members of the House of Assembly to join me in thanking Jacob Boudreau for his spearheading this project and for displaying kindness to those in need.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Queens-Shelburne.

**WHYNOT, EMERSON: STUDENTS' RAINY-DAY BOX - CONGRATS.**

KIM MASLAND: I rise today to recognize a Grade 2 student at Dr. John C. Wickwire Academy in Liverpool.

Emerson Whynot found out about a program called Positive Noise grants, put forth by the NSHA and the SSRCE. The goal of the program is to have young students initiate projects in their schools or communities that help others to feel healthier and more connected. All they need is the support of an adult and a good idea.

Emerson saw a need in his classroom for something to do when students were kept inside during recess breaks on bad weather days. He came up with the idea of creating a rainy-day box to provide students with engaging options and activities. He was awarded the grant and set forth with the \$200 to pick out a variety of items such as board games and even pillows for their reading corner.

I congratulate Emerson on taking action and for setting a wonderful example for our youth. Well done, Emerson.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth North.

**JOHN MACNEIL SCH.: KOALA LOVE FUNDRAISING - THANKS**

SUSAN LEBLANC: I rise today to draw attention to the amazing kids in Grades 5 and 6 at John MacNeil Elementary School who used their artistic talents to raise money for a good cause.

The children drew beautiful pictures of koala bears and then held a sale of their art pieces where they raised \$900. The money was donated to animal rescue efforts during the devastating wildfires in Australia. It was estimated that over one million animals died in those terrible fires.

As the students advertised, all the portraits were created with koala love. The generosity of the students inspired other classes in the school, and now they're challenging each other to come up with other ways of helping in their community.

I have said it before, and I will say it again, the generosity of people in Dartmouth North always inspires me. People in our community continually put other people and animals ahead of themselves, and the students at John MacNeil are no different. I ask the House to join me in congratulating and thanking the students at John MacNeil school for their amazing creativity and for their generosity.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Halifax Atlantic.

**HANNA, EDDIE: TAXI INDUS. ADVOCATE - THANKS**

BRENDAN MAGUIRE: I'd like to take a moment to recognize a tremendous individual from my community, Eddie Hanna.

To say the last five years or so have been difficult for Eddie and his family is an understatement. Eddie had to overcome some very personal family health issues and a death. The whole time, Eddie continued to show strength and be a rock for his family. Eddie is also a huge advocate for the taxi industry, an industry he knows intimately, as he has worked in the industry for decades.

Eddie is a strong personality and one who has always been upfront and straight with me, something I appreciate immensely. Eddie and I don't always agree, but his voice is one that I trust and respect. Thank you for standing up for the taxi industry and your beliefs.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth East.

**EARLE, RICHARD - ARCHITECT:  
BUILDING LANDMARKS IN HRM - THANKS**

TIM HALMAN: I rise today to recognize Dartmouth East resident Richard Earle and his successful career as an architect.

Traces of Richard's architectural work can be found all throughout HRM, and I guarantee that every member in the House has seen his finished products. From working on One Government Place to designing Alderney Gate and base headquarters at CFB Stadacona, Richard has helped build HRM as we know it today.

Richard comes from a line of architects who have built our city, including his great-great-grandfather who developed historic houses, such as Evergreen House, and his great-great uncle who also helped design City Hall. After beginning to work more independently in 1993, Richard is slowly making his way to retirement.

Mr. Speaker, I'd like to thank Richard Earle for his hard work in the field of architecture and his efforts on buildings that are landmarks in Dartmouth and Halifax.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Lunenburg.

**ALLEN, JON: DEDICATION TO S. SHORE PLAYERS - RECOG.**

SUZANNE LOHNES-CROFT: Mr. Speaker, without numerous volunteers over the years, both on stage and behind the scenes, the South Shore Players would likely not have recently celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Of those many volunteers, Jon Allen is one who stands out in the crowd and deserves recognition. Jon was a founding member and the original treasurer. He has remained active at the executive committee level, most frequently as president throughout the South Shore history. His guidance and leadership have been invaluable. However, his talents do not end there. Jon is an actor, writer and musician, as well as a producer and director.

It seems fitting that *The Caterpillar Tales*, a musical written by Jon, including all original songs, was directed by him in December 2018 on the official 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Despite his many accomplishments, Jon remains humble yet is always willing to mentor new or less experienced actors. Jon is definitely one of a kind.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that you and the members of this House of Assembly please join me in recognizing Jon Allen for his dedication to the South Shore Players.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Beaver Bank.

**SUBURBAN FC U13A GIRLS:  
SEASON VICTORIES - CONGRATS.**

BRAD JOHNS: Mr. Speaker, I want to extend a sincere congratulations to the Suburban FC U13A Girls on their gold medal win yesterday in the 2019-20 indoor championships. I'd particularly like to also recognize the team coaches, Jennifer Cadorett-Auger and Lisa Barton. Both of these coaches taught the girls by demonstrating themselves and setting a perfect example of respect, fair play and the importance of being a team.

I want to congratulate all the girls who not only played a strong and wonderful game yesterday, but also played wonderfully the whole season.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member of Clayton Park West

**KEIGAN, TRACEY - PHARMACIST: COM. SERV. - THANKS**

RAFAH DICOSTANZO: Mr. Speaker, in honour of International Women's Day yesterday, I would like to recognize Tracey Keigan, an outstanding pharmacist at the Rockingham Guardian in Clayton Park West.

Tracey has received training for the Bloom Program, a program that is offered only at select pharmacies in the province. This community pharmacy initiative works to improve mental health care for Nova Scotians by allowing patients to receive individual support and care. Additionally, Tracey has continued to give back to the pharmacy community by volunteering as a mentor to pharmacy students in order to help them develop the necessary skills they will need in their future career.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that the members of this House join me in commending and thanking Tracey for her outstanding work in the pharmacy industry.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Kings North.

**LOHR WOMEN: LEGACY OF COMPETENCE - SALUTE**

JOHN LOHR: Mr. Speaker, yesterday on International Women's Day we had the privilege of having four generations of Lohr women in our home for Sunday brunch, three by marriage.

First my mother, Jacoba, who was born in Holland and liberated by Canadians in the Battle of the Scheldt in 1944, and emigrated to Canada in 1958 and built her life here with my father, as potato farmers; my wife Heather, an accomplished businesswoman who is currently the chair of the Valley Regional Hospital Foundation and vice-chair of the Kentville Rotary Club; my two daughters-in-law, Emily and Julie; and, for the first time ever in our home, my granddaughter, Abigail Noreen, who is now two weeks old. She's



the first girl born in our family here in Canada in 60 years. It's a real privilege to have her, and looking forward to the contributions she will make to our world.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Kings South.

**MORSE, GARY: LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD - CONGRATS.**

KEITH IRVING: Mr. Speaker, it's an honour to stand in the Chamber today to congratulate Gary Morse of Morse Construction and Royal LePage Atlantic on receiving the 2019 Annapolis Valley Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award.

Gary Morse has been a successful entrepreneur in the Annapolis Valley for 25 years, in real estate, construction and self-storage businesses. Gary has served as a member of the Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce, president of the Annapolis Valley Real Estate Board, chair of the Valley Business Leaders' Initiative, and president of the New Minas Rotary Club. He has been instrumental in raising money for Rotary Club, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, and Chrysalis House, as well as coaching minor hockey and baseball throughout the Annapolis Valley.

I invite all members of the Nova Scotia House of Assembly to join me in congratulating Gary Morse on receiving the Annapolis Valley Chamber of Commerce 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Cumberland North.

**2020 WOMEN'S HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP:  
ORGANIZERS - THANKS**

ELIZABETH SMITH-MCCROSSIN: On the weekend we found out the news that the International Ice Hockey Federation cancelled the 2020 Women's World Hockey Championship here in Nova Scotia following a recommendation by public health experts, due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The IIHF are looking forward to scheduling it to 2021.

Today I am thinking of all the players who are impacted by that decision. I would also like to publicly thank all the organizers of 2020 Women's World Hockey Championship, and especially the Legacy Committee and their efforts to leverage the event as a platform to grow the game of hockey for women and girls in this province: Amy Walsh, Andrea Coish, Stacie Rimmer, Leija Wilton, Danielle Wilkin, Andrew Bougeois, Devin Hartnell, Morgan Greek, Fiona Smith Bell, and Laine Smith.

You can still support female hockey in Nova Scotia by attending the IIHF Female Leadership Summit, which is still going ahead on March 31<sup>st</sup>, Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Halifax Convention Centre.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Glace Bay.

**DAUGHTER, GORJA - BIRTHDAY WISHES**

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, exactly 9 years ago today I left that very parking lot at about 3:00 a.m. to race home to the Glace Bay Hospital where we had the arrival at about 8:30 a.m. of my daughter Gorja Renee MacLellan. She is 9 years old today, and she is at Ste. Anne's for Crazy Hair Day.

We had her birthday yesterday and all she wanted for presents was cash. So, she's like her dad, Mr. Speaker. She'll spend it wisely, just like her dad, as well.

I want to say hi to her mom Leah, her brother Daniel, and her cousins Liam and Nadair. Happy birthday, Baby. I love you. (Applause)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Yarmouth.

**GRAVES, RYAN: NHL PLUS-MINUS LDR. - CONGRATS.**

HON. ZACH CHURCHILL: Mr. Speaker, Yarmouth's Ryan Graves, who is in his second season with the NHL's Colorado Avalanche, is currently the NHL's leader in plus-minus with a plus 43. For those members like me who might not know what that means, plus-minus represents the difference between a player's team total scoring versus their opponent's scoring when that player is in the game.

Ryan recently put on a hockey school in his hometown of Yarmouth, generously giving his time and leadership to our community's younger hockey players.

I ask this House to join me in congratulating Yarmouth's Ryan Graves on his current standing as the NHL's plus-minus leader. This is an amazing accomplishment and his hometown is so proud and excited for him.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Clare-Digby.

**CLARE LIONS CLUB:  
SUPPORTING THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS - CONGRATS.**

HON. GORDON WILSON: Mr. Speaker, last Valentine's Day, the Clare Lions alumni played the young ESDC Clare Loups in a special hockey game to raise funds for the Clare Special Olympics.

Although this was not the first time the Clare Lions were involved in such a fundraiser, it was for Clare Loups the first of many for its young players. Adrien Comeau, ESDC's Athletic Director first introduced the area's Special Olympians and then presented

them with a \$1,000 cheque from the Royal Bank. Then Special Olympian Jody Thibodeau, who will soon participate in the Winter Special Olympics in Thunder Bay, dropped the first puck.

The rink was packed with everyone from players to supporters, and they all had a great time. The game raised an impressive \$3,615 in funds. I want to congratulate and thank the organizers for such an event which, by all accounts, was a resounding success.

I also want to recognize the players, and I'm pleased to hear they vowed that this first fundraiser would not be their last. These young players had a great time and learned that it's all about the importance of giving back to your community.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Lunenburg with 40 seconds.

**PENNEY, JACOB: DEPLOYMENT, AUSTRALIAN WILDFIRES - THANKS**

SUZANNE LOHNES-CROFT: I rise today to recognize Jacob Penney of Cornwall for participating in the ongoing effort to battle wildfires in Australia.

Jacob is a Nova Scotia Lands and Forestry worker and is an employee of the Lunenburg office. He was one of the five personnel heading to the Commonwealth on February 5<sup>th</sup> of this year. Jacob's deployment is 30 days in length and will see him directly involved in the suppression of wildfires.

In 2006, Jacob was also deployed for two weeks in British Columbia. There his daily hours were 14-hour shifts spent trying to put out wildfires.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and members of this House of Assembly please join me in thanking Jacob Penney for being willing to contribute his firefighting skills for these ongoing fires in Australia.

[12:00 noon]

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Fairview-Clayton Park on an introduction.

HON. PATRICIA ARAB: I would like to draw the members' attention to the East Gallery where we are joined today by my right hand, my person, the only way I can actually do my job and all the other responsibilities that are expected of me, my constituency assistant, Allison Covert - also the best resident of Fairview-Clayton Park, I don't mind saying that. Nobody would argue. She is an exceptional friend and an exceptional partner in this journey, and I'm thankful for her every day.

If I could ask her to rise and receive the warm welcome of the House, I would appreciate that. (Applause)

THE SPEAKER: Barring more member statements, we'll now move on to Government Business.

### **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, would you please call the order of business, Government Motions.

### **GOVERNMENT MOTIONS**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: I move you do now leave the Chair and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply unto Her Majesty.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid.

STEVE CRAIG: Mr. Speaker, I rise today for the Address in Reply. It is a pleasure for me to take a few moments to talk about the government's proposed 2020-21 budget and plans. The government's budget and business plans are one of the most important activities for which a government is responsible.

THE SPEAKER: Order, please. I just want to clarify with the honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid, you're speaking to the motion to go into Supply, not Address in Reply.

Just wanted to make sure. You have a total of 15 minutes.

The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid.

STEVE CRAIG: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today for the Address in Reply. No? What am I doing? (Laughter)

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid is speaking today on the motion going into Supply. Address in Reply is another agenda item. Sorry about that.

The honourable member for Sackville-Cobequid. Skip the first line. (Laughter)

STEVE CRAIG: For the very first time in being a member here (Laughter) it is a pleasure for me to take a few minutes to talk about the government's proposed 2020-21 budget and business plans. The government's business plans and budget are one of the most important activities a government is responsible for and held accountable to. A plan on a page is nothing unless it is carried out and promises delivered on. The government produces their budget and talks about all the great things going to be achieved.

I acknowledge that when you spend \$11.5 billion, some good things will happen. It is all members of the Legislature who vote on the budget and business plans after a mere 80 hours and two concurrent 40-hour sessions of questions and answers, trying to understand the details. However, in the end it is the members of the Legislature who make up the government - Premier, ministers - managing the day-to-day operations of the bureaucracy, who are charged with delivering programs and services to Nova Scotians that they are committing to.

The Budget Address states, "*Budget 2020-21* supports Nova Scotians who may not have been feeling the success of the province." Well, Mr. Speaker, there are a lot of Nova Scotians who have not been feeling the success of the province. Regardless of what side of the House you're on, we know this from our constituents and others when they talk with us, or visit our constituency offices, about health care concerns, housing affordability issues, and child, youth and family realities, and more. In my office, the greatest concerns have been regarding health, the need for more affordable housing in Sackville, and income assistance through the Department of Community Services. There will be Nova Scotians who will not benefit from this budget, in spite of what this government commits to.

It is not surprising that the government is leading with "We are presenting our fifth consecutive balanced budget with *Budget 2020-21 Better Together*." Running surpluses, money left on the table, and the question is, did the previous commitments, simply put, not make us better together? Health care, education, housing and poverty are tough issues for Nova Scotians. Many other issues fall under one of these.

I serve at the pleasure of the voters of Sackville-Cobequid. It is indeed an honour and a privilege, an awesome responsibility that I do not take lightly. I uphold their trust placed in me to the very best of my ability. This, as evidenced earlier, is my first budget deliberation, and I certainly have a lot to learn about the government and the way they manage all Nova Scotians.

Most of my time has been getting to know about housing, homelessness, Community Services, and social assistance. It is quite a learning curve and I feel as though I am just getting acquainted.

In the next few minutes I will tell you a few of my 2020-21 budget observations in general and as they relate to Sackville. This is by no means complete or comprehensive in

the 15 minutes allotted. I will talk about housing and homelessness, social assistance, health care, and debt.

According to the Canadian Housing Survey for 2018: “In Nova Scotia, there were 410,800 households, of which 31.1 per cent (127,700) were renters, 61.7 per cent (253,600) were homeowners who did not purchase their first home within the previous 5 years while there were 29,500 first time homebuyers (7.2 per cent), meaning they had purchased their first home within the last 5 years. Nova Scotia has a higher share than the national average of long-term homebuyers and a lower share of renters and first time home-buyers.”

These long-term homeowners are getting older. They need to maintain their properties as their incomes effectively decline, and eventually look to sell and move into other housing, whether downsized homeownership, renting, or long-term care. There have been substantial increases to rental supply. However, the demand for affordable rental housing continues to outpace that supply.

In addition to people downsizing, other factors include renovictions, short-term rentals, immigration, in-migration, and international students. Today the overall vacancy in Lower Sackville is an unthinkable 0.5 per cent. That’s 1.1 per cent for a one-bedroom at \$931 per month; 0.1 per cent for two bedrooms at \$1,100 per month; and 1.3 per cent for three bedrooms at \$1,300 per month. Since 2010, vacancy rates have been steadily trending downward and rents steadily and increasingly going upward.

In the 1950s, Sackville had fewer than 1,000 people. Around 1969, the population was about 7,000. In the late 1980s, the population was around 35,000.

The former Progressive Conservative Leader Robert Stanfield recognized the need way back then for affordable housing. You may or may not know it, but in Halifax-Dartmouth at that time, the vacancy rate was probably 0.4 per cent, and the government of the day decided that we required more affordable housing.

They had an assembly that they called the Sackville Lakes Land Assembly. It was a planned community for about 30,000 or so people. It even had church campuses. Successive Progressive Conservative and Liberal governments, through the Nova Scotia Housing Commission, expanded the serviced land availability. That led to very rapid growth. Sackville was one of the fastest-growing communities in all of Canada back in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Maybe we can take advantage of some learnings from what was done back then to create and increase affordable home ownership. Maybe we can take advantage of what we have now and increase that capacity that we already have in place.

We all recognize that affordable housing and homelessness are important issues, but we need to start looking at different strategies to address them. Having adequate

funding is important, but to provide safe and sustainable housing for as many people as possible we also need the right expertise at the table to properly manage public properties and investments.

In addition, we need to engage the non-profit and profit housing sectors to increase emergency and transitional housing, supportive housing, subsidized housing, rental housing, and home ownership. There are more than 11,500 units of affordable non-market housing owned by the Province - not enough, and there are many struggling families and individuals looking to the government for help to get into so few housing units that are owned by the Province.

The National Housing Strategy, along with the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, makes investments in affordable housing, but more work needs to be done to address the core issues of not being able to afford rent and homeownership. We need to help those in non-market and market housing achieve success in time on their own. We need to make it easier rather than tougher.

Often, investments in affordable housing do not go as far as they need to. Significant portions of funding are required for critical repairs and maintenance on existing units - deferred maintenance versus keeping assets in a state of good repair. The government's approach to affordable housing must go beyond just maintaining essential repairs for non-market housing. It's time to start to look at affordable housing through the lens of property management in order to provide safe and sustainable housing.

To help those who are homeless or near homelessness is wonderful. Government and related agencies have a concept called Housing First. However, it falls short of recognizing that people who are homeless may not have access to shelters. For the most part, identification of the homeless has been assigned to established shelters or street navigators, funded here in HRM by non-profits and the municipality itself. Homelessness is not only an urban Halifax-centred issue.

In Lower Sackville, community-grown initiatives have created the Sackville Area Warming Centre, Community Outreach Meal Event, and Freedom Kitchen & Closet in response to the growing awareness of the hidden homeless, those not in urban Halifax. These groups need government support to better help the homeless. This support I have not seen in the budget.

Poverty and family circumstances are realities for many Nova Scotians, like the 1,000 or so youth who are under the protection of Community Services and those of low income on income assistance. When we talk about youth poverty being among the highest right here in Nova Scotia, that means the parents or guardians are in poverty too. We need to address it now over the next number of years.

Community Services' budget is over \$1 billion, equal to what it takes to run the Halifax Regional Municipality, yet the Canada Pension Plan Children's Benefits have been used to reduce a family's income assistance payment. It also appears as though the Workers' Compensation Board dependant-child benefit is deducted from a family's income assistance payment. We need to examine areas that give with one hand and take with the other.

We need to address youth mental health. How do we address the challenges that youth have today? What significant steps can we take? We are legislators. We need to be able to make sure that we have people both in the government and in organizations to step up to the many challenges that are out there for our youth today. They need to be able to have an education. They need to be supported when bullied. They need to be given medical treatment when required. They need to be in affordable and adequate housing. They need to be able to eat nutritious food.

Shirley Freer and Carol Crosby were two nurses who advocated for the community Cobequid Multi-Service Centre, now called the Cobequid Community Health Centre. What was unique about that was that it was the first freestanding emergency centre in Canada. It was very innovative at the time. It brought together emergency, lab imaging, IWK mental health, rehab, physio, cancer care programs, and others. The cancer clinic located at Cobequid was implemented probably about five years ago.

The Cobequid Community Health Centre is a wonderful facility with room to increase infrastructure and services. I'm sure that there is so much more that Cobequid can be used for to help improve the health care system. However, I have not seen anything in this budget.

When we talk about closures of emergency rooms, Sackville does not have a 24-hour emergency, and it is for good reason. In my opinion, it is the best-functioning emergency room in the province, so much so that we take and service people from all around. With no hospital beds, you must be very careful in how you treat the people and move them off to the QEII, the Halifax Infirmary, and the Dartmouth General. Now people are going to the ER who ought not to be there.

We need to attract and retain new doctors. I will tell you that my physician is, if not the oldest in the province, darned close. I have not abandoned him. I continue to go to Dr. Chui, who has been a family friend and physician for close to 50 years now. He is going to retire soon. I haven't even put my name on the waiting list. I do know that once he goes, a lot of people in Sackville will be looking for another physician. Dr. Chui is holding on as best he can for his patients.



[12:15 p.m.]

The government is adding the largest single-year capital investment in the history of the province. Provincial debt is projected to end 2019-20 at \$15.18 billion equivalent to 33 per cent of the GDP or 15.6 per Nova Scotian. The debt has come down in the past couple of years and some debt financed at higher yields will likely be retired or re-financed at lower rates.

This can be good news. Contrast that with Nova Scotia consumers who are not experiencing the same environment when it comes to their debt. In December, Equifax reported that the average Canadian holds \$72,500 in total debt; in HRM, \$23,500 without mortgage; and in Nova Scotia, \$26,000. More Nova Scotians have been borrowing for some time to make ends meet with health care, rents, food, clothing, utilities, employment and other expenses.

Mr. Speaker, they require help. The province will go on for 100 years and can afford debt. Consumers cannot afford to keep increasing their debt.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Halifax Chebucto.

GARY BURRILL: Last week in debate on second reading of the Financial Measures (2020) Act, the Minister of Finance and Treasury Board, in her closing remarks, suggested that I had taken a cavalier attitude toward the facts with respect to some remarks and comments I had made about the significance of numbers pertaining to population growth.

What I had said is that it is without foundation for the minister, or for the Premier, to speak about our populations - as they often do - being at an all-time high as though this provided some proof of economic vitality. I said in every decade since Confederation, with one exception - 1921 to 1931 - our population in Nova Scotia has always, decadedly, been at such a high. This was the figure to which the minister took exception.

I want to table the Statistics Canada data that demonstrates that what I had said in that debate at that time is, in fact, so. Population growth figures, to be meaningful, need to be measured in multiple years not in single years or even in units of two or three years. That is why throughout Canadian history, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics - and more recently, Statistics Canada - have always brought forward figures of population growth on a decadal basis and only in more recent years on a semi-decadal basis.

My point on the basis of the figures that I've just tabled is that it is not meaningful - it is not sound or even truthful - to speak about the fact that our population is at an all-time high as a demonstration of economic health, for the reasons that I have explained. I believe the figures that I have tabled substantiate this point, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Sydney River-Mira-Louisbourg.

BRIAN COMER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the opportunity to speak in Supply. As we move forward, the issues facing the province are real and complex. As elected officials, we have the responsibility to work together to tackle these issues head-on, to collaborate, to advocate and to continually make this province a better place to live.

Lack of access to primary health care, significant change in health care delivery, and uncertainty of what the future looks like have caused many Nova Scotians great stress and anxiety. Cape Breton has not reaped the benefits of this government's self-proclaimed success, with unemployment rates double that of Halifax, some of the highest childhood poverty rates in the country, and tax rates that make affordability of living for the middle class extremely difficult.

The health care redevelopment that is many years away causes me grave concern. With the current state, I do not know how we will get to that point. People in Cape Breton and within my constituency just want equitable treatment and for their voices to be heard. They want local health boards with local decision-making power. They want local school boards that can shape policy educating our children. They desperately need help in Cape Breton to make economic development a reality. Most of all, the people just want an honest dialogue and to know that their voices are being heard.

The centralization of economic development, health care, education, population growth, and decision-making processes have left many feeling apathetic towards the political processes in Nova Scotia and especially in Cape Breton. What about rural Nova Scotia? What about Cape Breton?

As this session winds down, I encourage all of us to act in the spirit of collaboration and respect, and with the intent to improve all of Nova Scotia as we move forward.

THE SPEAKER: The motion is carried.

The House will now recess for a few minutes while the House resolves itself into the Committee of the Whole on Supply.

[12:21 p.m. The House resolved into a CW on Supply with Deputy Speaker Suzanne Lohnes-Croft in the Chair.]

[4:45 p.m. CW on Supply rose and the House reconvened. The Speaker, Hon. Kevin Murphy, resumed the Chair.]

THE SPEAKER: Order, please. The Chair of the Committee of the Whole on Supply reports:

THE CLERK: That the Committee of the Whole on Supply has met and made progress and begs leave to sit again.

THE SPEAKER: Is it agreed?

It is agreed.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, I move that you do now leave the Chair and the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

THE SPEAKER: The House will now recess for a couple of minutes while we resolve ourselves into a Committee of Whole House on Bills.

[4:46 p.m. The House resolved into a CWH on Bills with Deputy Speaker Suzanne Lohnes-Croft in the Chair.]

[7:34 p.m. CWH on Bills rose and the House reconvened. The Speaker, Hon. Kevin Murphy, resumed the Chair.]

THE SPEAKER: Order, please. The Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on Bills reports:

THE CLERK: That the Committee of the Whole House on Bills has met and considered the following bills:

**Bill No. 233 - Smoke-free Places Act and Tobacco Access Act.**

**Bill No. 240 - Life Partners in Long-term Care Act.**

**Bill No. 246 - Opioid Damages and Health-care Costs Recovery Act.**

**Bill No. 242 - Protecting Access to Reproductive Health Care Act.**

without amendments; and

**Bill No. 243 - Financial Measures (2020) Act.**

**Bill No. 241 - Change of Name Act.**

with certain amendments, and the Chair has been instructed to recommend these bills to the favourable consideration of the House.

THE SPEAKER: Ordered that these bills be read a third time on a future day.

Before we move on to more government business, I want to take this opportunity to deliver a ruling on a point of order.

**SPEAKER'S RULING:**

**Part 1: To allege that another member is not a good human being is unparliamentary.**

**(Pt. of order by S. Craig [Hansard p.5913, 6 March 2020])**

**No point of order.**

It was brought up on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, when the member for Sackville-Cobequid rose on a point of order alleging that the Premier during Question Period the previous day implied that the Leader of the Official Opposition “was not a good human being,” and later that day in Question Period told the member to “imagine his motive.”

The member alleges that these were two examples of unparliamentary language and that I, as Speaker, should request that the Premier withdraw the comments and apologize to the House and the Leader of the Official Opposition.

In Bosc and Gagnon, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, 2017, Page 624: “In dealing with unparliamentary language, the Speaker takes into account the tone, manner and intention of the Member speaking, the person to whom the words at issue were directed, the degree of provocation, and most important, whether or not the remarks created disorder in the Chamber. Thus, language deemed unparliamentary one day may not necessarily be deemed unparliamentary on another day.”

There have been many Speaker rulings in this House underlining the importance of looking at the context in which words are spoken to determine whether words used are unparliamentary or not. To illustrate how important the context is, I further quote from Bosc and Gagnon at Page 624: “Expressions which are considered unparliamentary when applied to an individual Member have not always been considered so when applied ‘in a generic sense’ or to a party.”

On the first part of the member for Sackville-Cobequid’s assertion, I have reviewed Hansard of the question and the answer given by the Premier on March 5, 2020.

The Premier stated: “We will continue to ensure that he stays in treatment, whatever his political future may be. I can tell you for certain, no one in this caucus, under my leadership, will try to gain political points on someone else’s suffering. That is just a reality. It’s what is called being a good human being.”

It appears that the Premier was referring to the expected actions of the members of his caucus under his leadership. He did not allege or state that the Leader of the Official Opposition was not a good human being. While the words if directed to an individual member may be found to be unparliamentary, they are not in this case, as they were directed in a generic sense to members of the Party caucus and not the Leader of the Official Opposition.

Accordingly, the words were not unparliamentary language in this case, and there is no point of order.

**SPEAKER'S RULING:**

**Part 2: To tell another member to “imagine your motive” is unparliamentary.**

**(Pt. of order by S. Craig [Hansard p.5913, 6 March 2020])**

**Point of order is closed.**

On the second part of the member for Sackville-Cobequid's assertion, I have also reviewed Hansard.

In his point of order the member for Sackville-Cobequid alleges that the Premier used unparliamentary language when he told the member “to imagine his motive.” I assume from his point of order that the member for Sackville-Cobequid meant to raise that the Premier was “imputing bad motives” of the Leader of the Official Opposition rather than using unparliamentary language.

In a ruling on April 4, 2013, Speaker Gosse spoke at length about “imputing motives” of a member. I want to quote from portions of that ruling. Speaker Gosse stated: “Beauchesne goes on to say on Page 142 that . . . ‘a member will not be permitted by the Speaker to . . . impute to any members or members unworthy motives for their actions in a particular case.’”

The meaning of the phrase, “impute bad motives,” as used in parliamentary context is sometimes questioned. Often it is not clear that the imputation being complained of is one of bad motives when a complaint is raised that another member is “imputing motives.” It is assumed when that phrase is used that the motives are bad or different from any motives that may have been acknowledged.

The Parliament of Canada publishes a *Glossary of Parliamentary Procedures*, which defines “to impute motives” as to “. . . ascribe objectionable motives or motives to a member different from those acknowledged by the member.” Their underlying principle is that one member should not allege that another member has said or done something for an unworthy or hidden purpose.

It is well-established in this House that it is not acceptable to impute improper motives to another member.

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, the Premier responded to the Leader of the Official Opposition's question as follows: "He has not brought one idea to the floor of the Legislature about improving the lives of Nova Scotians. What he has attempted to do is try to tear down the reputations of others, people sitting on this side of the House or people who have challenging things in their lives. Imagine your motive. What goes through an individual's mind when you're going to build your own reputation on the backs of those who are suffering?"

Accordingly, in relying on the authorities and the rulings of this House, I find the words used by the Premier to have imputed motives to another member, that being the Leader of the Official Opposition.

However, in response to the member for Sackville-Cobequid's point of order on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, the Premier rose and spoke and apologized by stating: "Let me say on behalf of you and the members in this gallery, if anyone was offended by anything I said yesterday, I apologize to them."

He later said: "If in any way that offends anybody in this House, I want to apologize to them . . ."

There was an immediate apology at two separate points in the Premier's response to the member for Sackville-Cobequid's point of order. The apology was directed to "anybody in the House for anything I said yesterday." This reference was wide and broad and all-encompassing.

According to Bosc and Gagnon on Page 625 if an apology is given by a member in the House, it is accepted in good faith and the matter is considered closed.

Therefore, I am satisfied that when the Premier apologized twice during his response to the member for Sackville-Cobequid's point of order that the matter was dealt with, and accordingly, I find the point of order to be closed.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, would you please call the order of business, Public Bills for Third Reading.

### **PUBLIC BILLS FOR THIRD READING**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, would you please call Bill No. 234.

**Bill No. 234 - House of Assembly Act.**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Justice.

HON. MARK FUREY: Mr. Speaker, I move that Bill No. 234, an Act to Amend Chapter 1 (1992 Supplement) of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the House of Assembly Act, be now read a third time and do pass.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Queens-Shelburne.

KIM MASLAND: I'm happy to rise to speak briefly to third reading of the House of Assembly Act, Bill No. 234. As I stated in second reading, the role of the Sergeant-at-Arms has changed just as security at Province House has changed. Our world is changing, and safety measures are at the front of our minds daily.

We are so grateful for the work of our Sergeant-at-Arms, the commissionaires, RCMP, Halifax Regional Police, and all other staff who assist him. Our PC caucus supports this modernization of the House of Assembly Act that reflects the needs of modern society and measures that will assist our Sergeant-at-Arms to do his job.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth South.

CLAUDIA CHENDER: As I have said before, the NDP caucus is pleased to support these changes which are a modernization of the Act and reflect the circumstances already in place.

THE SPEAKER: If I recognize the minister it will be to close the debate.

The honourable Minister of Justice.

HON. MARK FUREY: I appreciate the comments and support of my colleagues. I rise to close debate on Bill No. 234, the House of Assembly Act.

[7:45 p.m.]

THE SPEAKER: The motion is for third reading of Bill No. 234. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

Ordered that this bill do pass. Ordered that the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, would you please call Bill No. 236.

**Bill No. 236 - Railways Act.**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

HON. LLOYD HINES: Mr. Speaker, I move that Bill No. 236, the Railways Act, be read a third time and do pass.

I want to thank the members opposite for their comments during second reading. Although we had no presenters at Law Amendments Committee on this bill, I do want to thank Theresa Scratch and Paul Smith of the Uniacke Trails Association for their comments, by way of letter to the committee, regarding this legislation.

As I stated previously, our amendments to the Railways Act will improve government's oversight of the province's provincially regulated railways. Railway companies will clearly understand their obligations under the Act. Rail transportation is important to our economy and so it is important that it be well-regulated.

The passage of this bill will provide appropriate oversight to promote public safety. It will help ensure that railway companies maintain and repair their infrastructure for discontinued, abandoned, non-operational, or unlicensed railroads in the province. We will also now have the authority to intervene and repair railway infrastructure when public safety is put at risk and the owner fails to act. It will give the Province the authority to step in to recover costs when government has to make repairs in the interests of public safety. Also of significance, the legislation now brings the Sydney Coal Railway under provincial legislative and regulatory oversight.

Mr. Speaker, this bill will further clarify the roles and responsibilities of the Utility and Review Board, which is the licensing body under the Railways Act.

One final point: the Act will become effective subject to an Order in Council, which will provide the opportunity for some additional consultation before enactment and prior to the development of any regulations empowered by the amendments.

With those brief remarks, Mr. Speaker, I'll take my seat and look forward to hearing from my colleagues. Thank you.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Pictou Centre.



HON. PAT DUNN: Mr. Speaker, the current Act contained gaps and deficiencies in the legislation which made it challenging for the Province to ensure small railways maintain and repair their infrastructure. These amendments will change this. As a result, there will be an increase of obligations on the railway owners to accept more responsibility for their rail infrastructure.

Based on that, Mr. Speaker, our caucus will support this bill.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth North.

SUSAN LEBLANC: Mr. Speaker, yes, we are in favour of this bill. All of the changes seem like they make sense to us.

I would say that with some confusion during Committee of the Whole House on Bills around the amendment that was brought forward on this bill, it would be very good to have amendments given in advance so that the Opposition can look at the amendments before we are in the Committee of the Whole House on Bills so that we have a chance to digest them.

We appreciate that when a usual six-week legislative session is crammed into three weeks, it is possibly because of the rush of doing that that these kinds of details get passed over. I understand that in the busyness of a three-week session giving amendments to the Opposition in advance would be forgotten. I can see how that would happen.

In any case, I'm glad we've solved all of the issues of this bill. We will support it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

THE SPEAKER: If I recognize the minister it will be to close the debate.

The honourable Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

HON. LLOYD HINES: Mr. Speaker, I rise to close third reading of Bill No. 236.

THE SPEAKER: The motion is for third reading of Bill No. 236. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

Ordered that this bill do pass. Ordered that the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

The honourable Government House Leader

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, would you please call Bill No. 238.

**Bill No. 238 - Insurance Act.**

THE SPEAKER: The honourable Minister of Finance and Treasury Board.

HON. KAREN CASEY: I move that Bill No. 238, the Insurance Act, now be read a third time and do pass.

I do want to thank the members of the Opposition for their support during second reading. Nova Scotians deserve to have their life insurance protected, and we are making changes to protect both the insurance consumer and the insurance company. With these amendments, third party companies will no longer be able to buy life insurance policies from seniors and critically ill Nova Scotians, eliminating the risk to both.

Most importantly, this bill will help protect vulnerable consumers from predatory practices and from financial schemes targeting their life insurance policies. Nova Scotians are our priority. It's our responsibility to protect them. These amendments do just that.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Northside-Westmount.

MURRAY RYAN: Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself and my colleagues, we're in full agreement with the changes within this bill to protect seniors, the elderly, and those who are most vulnerable from being preyed upon.

THE SPEAKER: The honourable member for Dartmouth South.

CLAUDIA CHENDER: The NDP caucus is pleased to support this bill.

THE SPEAKER: If I recognize the minister it will be to close the debate.

The honourable Minister of Finance and Treasury Board.

HON. KAREN CASEY: I close debate on third reading of Bill No. 238.

THE SPEAKER: The motion is for third reading of Bill No. 238. Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

Ordered that this bill do pass. Ordered that the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

The honourable Government House Leader.

HON. GEOFF MACLELLAN: Mr. Speaker, that concludes the government's business for today.

I move that the House now rise to meet again tomorrow, Tuesday, March 10, 2020, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:59 p.m. Following the daily routine and Question Period, business will include the continuation of the Committee of the Whole on Supply; third reading of Bill Nos. 233, 240, 241, 242, 243, and 246; as well as Committee of the Whole House, on Private and Local Bill No. 245.

THE SPEAKER: The motion is that the House now rise to meet again tomorrow, Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 11:59 p.m.

Would all those in favour of the motion please say Aye. Contrary minded, Nay.

The motion is carried.

The House is adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 a.m.

[The House rose at 7:52 p.m.]

**NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32(3)****RESOLUTION NO. 1917**

By: Hon. Keith Colwell (Preston-Dartmouth)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Reverend Donald Skier had a long and distinguished career in the church serving as pastor of East Preston United Baptist, St. Thomas United Baptist, and Cherry Brook United Baptist churches, where he baptized 110 people in the Partridge River in East Preston as well as teaching at Nelson Whynder, Sir Robert Borden Junior High and Bell Park Academic Centre schools, where he was greatly respected by his many students; and

Whereas he was educated at Bloomfield Elementary and Queen Elizabeth High schools as well as Acadia and Dalhousie Universities and was awarded an honorary doctorate from Acadia University; and

Whereas he was, in addition to his work in the church and education, an unwavering advocate for human rights recognized by certificates of merit from the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission as well as being named Newsmaker of the Year by the *Chronicle Herald* newspaper;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly posthumously recognize Reverend Donald Skier for his faithful service to the Preston communities, Distinguished Service Award from the Canadian Red Cross Society, and advocacy for human rights.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1918**

By: Hon. Keith Colwell (Preston-Dartmouth)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Mr. Chris Johnson of North Preston was signed by the Halifax Hurricanes to provide key offensive scoring and leadership to his younger teammates; and

Whereas he is no stranger to the National Basketball League of Canada as has played for the Cape Breton Highlanders and the Island Storm; and

Whereas he had a very successful career overseas for years and followed up with two productive seasons in the Canadian league;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly recognize and congratulate Chris Johnson for achieving this high level of achievement and wish him every success as a member of the Hurricanes.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1919**

By: Hon. Keith Colwell (Preston-Dartmouth)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Ms. Pam Bouchard has devoted six years tirelessly organizing and promoting the Lake Echo Terry Fox Walk/Run event; and

Whereas the five co-chairs of the organizing team have named her as the Honorary Chair and President for 2019 as a way of acknowledging her achievements; and

Whereas she has been retired for 10 years, and she gave selflessly of her time to make the Lake Echo 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Terry Fox Walk/Run event a great success;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly recognize and congratulate Ms. Pam Bouchard for her dedication to our community and the annual Terry Fox Walk/Run event.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1920**

By: Ben Jessome (Hammonds Plains-Lucasville)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Scott Burke, a constituent of Hammonds Plains-Lucasville and the Legislative Assistant to the Speaker, has written a book titled *Presiding by Desire*; and

Whereas this book details the career of former Lieutenant Governor, MacCallum Grant, from Summerville, Hants County, who served in office from 1916 to 1925, and the manuscript will be going to print in March 2020; and

Whereas Scott Burke has dedicated himself to this ongoing project over the past six years, and the book will be a good source of reference for the political history of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly congratulate Scott Burke on his hard work and achievement in completing his first book and wish him well on future endeavours.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1921**

By: John Lohr (Kings North)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Annapolis Valley-Hants Community Action Program for Children (AVH-CAPC), which eventually became Kids Action Program (KAP), was originally founded by Apple Tree Landing Children's Centre, Building Blocks, and Chrysalis House Fall 1994 and recently celebrated their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary; and

Whereas in 2005, Kids Action Program became an independent, charitable, not-for-profit organization and has thrived despite the reality that area poverty has consistently increased while funding has remained stagnant; and

Whereas KAP has been providing community driven, strength-based programs and services to families with multiple barriers such as poverty, social isolation and food insecurity in many parts of Kings and East Hants Counties;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly congratulate KAP on their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and thank the dedicated KAP staff, executive director Debra Reimer, and directors Suann Boates and Kim Burns, who continue to offer relevant, quality programming to vulnerable populations and make a real difference in the lives of many families.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1922**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Sobeys recognizes and honors those employees dedicated to serving their customers and community with integrity and respect; and

Whereas Janet Barr was awarded the Core Value Award for proudly serving our community; and

Whereas Janet is the assistant seafood manager and community room coordinator and places tremendous value on customer service and community involvement;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Janet Barr on her Core Value Award.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1923**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Sobeys in Elmsdale has been the fortunate employer of one of the most dedicated employees, who has worked for 38 years with the company; and

Whereas Claude White works hard every shift and does not leave work unless he is completely satisfied with the efforts of his night crew staff; and

Whereas Claude is a compassionate co-worker as well, helping with many fundraisers including shaving his head for cancer;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in commending Claude White for his 38 years of loyalty to Sobeys and his desire to excel in all aspects of his employment.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1924**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas hard-working, dedicated employees are the backbone of any successful business; and

Whereas long-time employees are true assets to the business they dedicate their life to; and

Whereas Julie Francis has been with Subway Elmsdale for 20 years, not only making our sandwiches but making our days with her fantastic customer service and loyal service to her company and to her customers;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Julie Francis for her 20 years of dedicated service.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1925**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Stephanie Isenor created a group called Turning Pages for Charity that offers books to others at an excellent value and uses the funds to help those in need in her community; and

Whereas her charity has raised over \$3,200 in almost 2 years since its inception; and

Whereas her hope is that her charity continues to help those in need and others throughout her area grow a fondness for reading;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Stephanie for inspiring others to read and also showing others the difference one person can make.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1926**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Midget AAA is the highest level of Midget hockey available for female athletes in Nova Scotia; and

Whereas only top hockey athletes across the province are chosen to play in this highly competitive league; and

Whereas Cassidy Totten was able to make the roster for the Penguins team two years running, being the first girl from the East Hants area in approximately a decade to crack the roster last season and one of three girls this season;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Cassidy Totten on this amazing athletic achievement.



**RESOLUTION NO. 1927**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Midget AAA is the highest level of Midget hockey available for female athletes in Nova Scotia; and

Whereas Keyauna Macleod was able to make the roster for the Penguins team this 2019-20 hockey season, being one of three girls from our area to make the roster; and

Whereas only top hockey athletes across the province are chosen to play in this highly competitive league;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Keyauna Macleod on this amazing athletic achievement

**RESOLUTION NO. 1928**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Midget AAA is the highest level of Midget hockey available for female athletes in Nova Scotia; and

Whereas Kiara Keddy was able to make the roster for the Penguins team this 2019-20 hockey season, being one of three girls from our area to make the roster; and

Whereas only top hockey athletes across the province are chosen to play in this highly competitive league;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Kiara Keddy on this amazing athletic achievement

**RESOLUTION NO. 1929**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas promotions at the Municipality of East Hants are given to those who displayed leadership, confidence, reliability, and self-motivation; and

Whereas the municipality recognized those employees who have a desire to enhance business operations; and

Whereas Adam Clarkson has assumed the role of Director of Parks Recreation and Culture;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering Adam congratulations on his new role with the Municipality of East Hants.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1930**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas serving and protecting is something Kim Robinson takes seriously on and off duty and has been on the police force for 19 years; and

Whereas Kim has also dedicated her time to the Special Olympics for the past 6 years and just recently took over the role of provincial director for the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics; and

Whereas Kim devotes many hours of her free time to this organization and plays a pivotal role in all its successes;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Kim on her new role as provincial director and thanking her for her commitment to an organization that is near and dear to her heart.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1931**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas promotions at the Municipality of East Hants are given to those who display leadership, confidence, reliability, and self-motivation; and

Whereas the municipality recognized those employees who have a desire to enhance business operations; and

Whereas Kate Friars has been appointed Deputy Chief Administrative Officer at the Municipality of East Hants;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Kate Friars on her new position with the Municipality of East Hants.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1932**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Tyler Stewart was a key member in helping bring home the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Tyler on his stellar play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1933**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Morgan Henson was top-notch in nets, helping to bring home the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Morgan on her stellar play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1934**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Andrew Delorey was a major contributor to the success of his team capturing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Andrew on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1935**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Andrew Newhook played stellarly all weekend to help capture the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Andrew on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1936**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Brandon LeBlanc played excellent to help bring home the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Brandon on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1937**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Christopher Mitchelmore was instrumental in helping secure the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Christopher on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1938**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Dahlia Dawe is a tremendous asset to the Bantam A team, greatly contributing to the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Dahlia on her exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1939**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Ethan Caldwell was an instrumental team player in securing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Ethan on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1940**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Faber Lemmon was excellent in nets, helping to secure the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Faber on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1941**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Gavin Spares was a key team member to help secure the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Gavin on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1942**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas James Martin was a key team member in bringing home the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating James on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1943**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Kyle Fazio was one of the key team members in securing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Kyle on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.



**RESOLUTION NO. 1944**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Nova Scotia Major Bantam Hockey League hosted their all-star game in December; and

Whereas only top hockey athletes across the province are chosen to play in this game, which showcases the highest talent the league has to offer; and

Whereas Lisa Mombourquette was the only female chosen out of three in the entire league to represent her team at the showcase;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Lisa Mombourquette on her impressive athletic accomplishments and continual strides in the Major Bantam Hockey League.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1945**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Matthew Bitonti was a key player in securing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Matthew on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1946**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Myles Wellwood was a key team member in securing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Myles on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1947**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Nate Powell was a key team member in securing the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Nate on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1948**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants Bantam A Hockey team instituted the first annual Memorial Hockey Tournament in honour of Braeden Bannister; and

Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Nolan Isenor was a pivotal player in securing the championship title:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Nolan on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1949**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

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Whereas competition for the tournament was intense and full of emotion, and the East Hants Bantam A Penguins were victorious and captured the banner; and

Whereas Patrick Keefe was a vital player in helping to secure the championship title;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Patrick on his exceptional play and help bringing home the banner of the Bantam A Hockey Tournament.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1950**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Brody Fraser represented Canada on the junior men's fast pitch team at the world qualifiers in Guatemala; and

Whereas Canada captured gold in the event, losing their first game and then bouncing back with six straight victories; and

Whereas Brody Fraser was instrumental in helping Canada advance to the World Cup in New Zealand in 2020;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly help me in offering congratulations to Brody Fraser on his athleticism and determination to become a member of the Canadian U17 Men's Fast Pitch Team.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1951**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Mary-Anne Gallant Davis was diagnosed with breast cancer in December 2017 requiring a double mastectomy and six rounds of chemotherapy; and

Whereas Mary-Anne was inspiring and resilient in her fight and is now cancer free, serving as an ambassador at the CIBC Run for the Cure by being a guest speaker and participant in 2019; and

Whereas Mary-Anne was in the top 10 individual fundraisers for the event and clocked her personal best time of 27:26 in the 5-kilometre run:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in admiration and thanking Mary-Anne for the inspiration she has become to others and for her courage and truth during her journey.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1952**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Timothy MacNeil was a dedicated fireman for over 30 years, giving selflessly to all those in our surrounding communities; and

Whereas it was devastating to the entire community to learn of his passing on September 4, 2019; and

Whereas we reflect back on Tim's life with fondness and the knowledge he left a substantial footprint in our community and in the fire departments he called home;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering Tim MacNeil's family and friends our condolences at this time and his legacy of compassion and kindness will live on for forever.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1953**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Kim Ramsey was recently appointed to CAO of the Municipality of East Hants due to her exemplary work ethic; and

Whereas Kim was instrumental in modernizing the municipal budget plan and the tax and water billing and is now prioritizing growth and development in our area; and

Whereas Kim is an invaluable asset not only to her new position but also to the community, serving as a volunteer with East Hants Minor Hockey for years:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly help me in offering Kim Ramsey congratulations on her new position as CAO of the Municipality of East Hants and wish her much success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1954**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Elmsdale mourned the loss of Dennis Coupar, the founder of Elmsdale Landscaping, a business he started as a one-man operation and turned it into the thriving company it is today with over 100 employees; and

Whereas Dennis could still be found picking rocks in the sod fields that covered over 1,500 hectares of land well in to his 80s; he was a true example of what you can accomplish with hard work, grit and good business sense; and

Whereas Dennis was also a large benefactor in his local communities, enjoying time spent with his family, friends and those in his community:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly offer their condolences to the Coupar family and the legacy of Dennis Coupar will live on for many years in East Hants.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1955**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Randy Rossiter was recognized for his exceptional customer service skills on a Facebook post on East Hants Wants to Know; and

Whereas over 300 likes quickly appeared with well over 100 comments pertaining to the wonderful reception, advice, and ideas Randy delightfully shares with Superstore customers; and

Whereas Randy has shared with everyone that he enjoys being able to take care of his customers and the fact they care enough to comment makes him feel like he is treating them correctly;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Randy for his willingness to go the extra mile for those who cross his path and for his unwavering desire to bring a bit of joy to each person's day.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1956**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Off the Leash East Hants Dog Park Group set out to give dogs in our area a fun, safe place to run and play; and

Whereas with a lot of hard work, fundraising and perseverance the official opening of the dog park was in June 2019; and

Whereas they continue to improve the park adding gravel walkways, benches and erecting shelters, the amount of wagging tails and happy dog owners who frequent the park are obvious signs of its huge success;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in extending heartfelt gratitude to the Off the Leash East Hants Dog Park Group

**RESOLUTION NO. 1957**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Dawson Paul is a young man, 15 years of age, and since he was 3 years old he has been involved with the fire department - first through his dad, tagging along and learning the ropes, and then joining as a junior firefighter in November 2018; and

Whereas Dawson sets an excellent example for his peers not only as a volunteer firefighter but also his commitment to Scouts earning the Medal of Maple from the Lieutenant Governor; and

Whereas Dawson is a young man who truly leads by example;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me wishing Dawson Paul many years of success in his future endeavors.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1958**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Ryan Isenor has dedicated most of his adult life coaching young athletes in softball and in hockey, committing a prodigious amount of time to bettering our youth; and

Whereas Ryan has volunteered in many capacities, including but not limited to coaching, president of minor hockey, development coordinator, a member of the East Hants Arena, and one of the organizers that were responsible for reviving past pitch in East Hants; and

Whereas Ryan has many accolades in his coaching career including winning a banner at this year's memorial hockey tournament that was hosted at the East Hants Sportsplex with his Bantam A team;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me recognizing Ryan Isenor for creating a legacy in East Hants by fostering the love of two sports that teach our youth important life lessons.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1959**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas John Macdonald is the very definition of a community booster, involved in all facets of the community and doling out generous donations to any organization or youth in need; and

Whereas John does these acts of kindness never seeking praise or recognition for his benefactions; and

Whereas most of his donations are unsolicited; instead he reaches out to those he sees in need:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking John Macdonald for being a generous contributor who is a positive influence on our community.



**RESOLUTION NO. 1960**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Margie Robinson comes from a military family and is no stranger to making sacrifices for the great good of her country; and

Whereas Margie has dedicated over 45 years at the Shubenacadie Legion and is a shining example of what the legion stands for; and

Whereas over the past 45 years she has made an incredible difference in the lives of veterans and all the Legion members;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me congratulating Margie for the commitment and compassion she has shown for the past 45 years.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1961**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes an active business located or operating in the East Hants & Districts that is independently owned and operated with a total number of employees not exceeding two and cannot be an expansion of an existing business, name change, franchise or new location of an existing company and;

Whereas Daniel and Amelia Heim started East Coast Detailing in 2015, and this year they moved it to Elmsdale where they offer a wide range of services from automotive and marine detailing to accessories installations and;

Whereas this year East Coast Detailing became a Powered by CeramicPro certified shop offering premium paint protection;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating East Coast Detailing on receiving the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce 2019 Micro Business of the Year Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1962**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes an active business located or operating in the East Hants & Districts, having been in business less than two years as of August 31, 2019 and shows great potential for future success; and

Whereas the East Hants Animal Hospital in Elmsdale opened its doors on April 1, 2019; and

Whereas it is full-service small animal veterinary hospital providing a variety of medical, surgical, and dental services, medications, pet foods, and pet toys;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating the East Hants Animal Hospital on receiving the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce 2019 New Business of the Year Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1963**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes a successful farm or agriculture related operation promoting agriculture; and

Whereas Withrows Farm market embodies the promotion of an array of agriculture products including products of their own and of other vendors; and

Whereas Withrows is an established business of four decades serving their communities proudly with 2 locations, in Belnan and Mount Uniacke;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Withrows Farm Market on being the recipient of the East Hants and Districts Chamber of Commerce 2019 Agricultural Business of the Year Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1964**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Hants East Assisting Refugees Team Society's main objective is to support refugee families and help them start a new life in East Hants: and

Whereas Chamber of Commerce recognizes contributions from non-profit organizations who improve and enhance the lives of those in their community; and

Whereas the HEART Society has enriched our community with inclusion, diversity and unity;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating the HEART Society for their vision and compassion for others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1965**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes an individual under 35 who successfully owns and operates a local business; and

Whereas Jeff Stone of Stone's Plumbing and Electrical has shown true entrepreneurship, successfully navigating the intricacies of owning a business for 10 years; and

Whereas Jeff is known to strive for exceptional service and customer satisfaction;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Jeff Stone for his proven dedication, initiative and determination and on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Young Entrepreneur Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1966**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes an active business in the East Hants & Districts with a minimum of 40% of customers, partners or revenues coming from markets outside of Nova Scotia; and

Whereas Ledwidge Lumber exports 50% of the 700-plus million board feet of lumber they produce a year; and

Whereas they also export wood chips, bark, shavings, and sawdust to companies that make paper products, energy, landscaping, and animal bedding;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Ledwidge Lumber on receiving the East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce 2019 Export Business of the Year Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1967**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes a member for their outstanding contribution to the business community; and

Whereas Michael Blois is the first vice-president of the EHCC; and

Whereas Michael has been instrumental in helping with the development of new businesses to help grow our community;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Michael Blois on his dedication and commitment to bettering businesses in our community and on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Tom Parker Chamber Member of the Year Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1968**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes a business of six-plus employees that adheres to exceptional business standards; and

Whereas Strides Health & Fitness Club employs 33 staff members who are dedicated to delivering the exceptional standards of business in all facets such as customer service, cleanliness and safety; and

Whereas Strides is an innovating, expanding and high-quality business;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me congratulating Strides Health and Fitness on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year 6+ Employees Award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1969**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes the ability to demonstrate and be accountable for an ongoing commitment to diversity and inclusivity while equally representing a culturally competent workforce and the community they serve; and

Whereas Sobeys Elmsdale is a diverse and inclusive workplace, proudly representing all individuals within our communities; and

Whereas regardless of age, race, gender, sexual orientation, or abilities, they create the best possible experience for their employees and customers;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Sobeys Elmsdale on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Excellence in Diversity & Inclusion award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1970**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes an individual or business that consistently shows an above and beyond level of service to their customers while providing their product or service; and

Whereas knowing that customer appreciation is a major factor in maintaining a successful business Darren McLaughlin always strives to be the best in customer service; and

Whereas Darren is knowledgeable about the product he sells and treats everyone who enters Napa Elmsdale's doors with dignity and respect;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Darren on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Customer Service award.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1971**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas every year, on the last Wednesday of January, MSVU celebrates Caritas or charity day; and

Whereas this day promotes and encourages random acts of kindness or giving time and talent to others; and

Whereas in the past few years, some of the student and faculty-led initiatives included knitting toques for Syrian refugees, organizing food drives, or raising money for local shelter programs;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Mount Saint Vincent University for their commitment to giving back to the community.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1972**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas on January 6<sup>th</sup>, the Halifax Hawks Pee Wee B Black team brought home the banner from the David Kelly Memorial Hockey Tournament in Saint John; and

Whereas although they lost their first two games, the players were able to turn it around with their determination and grit; and

Whereas The Pee Wee B Black team won both the semi-final and crossover games in penalty shootouts;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating the pee wee team on their success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1973**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Lemon Tree, a restaurant specializing in Turkish and Mediterranean cuisine, opened their new location at the corner of Dutch Village and Central Avenue on January 17; and

Whereas Lemon Tree serves many traditional dishes such as mussaka, lamb kebab, fatih kofte, hatay eksime, and lamb tandir; and

Whereas there is something for everyone, including vegetarian appetizers such as baba ganoush and dolma, as well as several desserts such as baklava and sutlac;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Lemon Tree on their new location.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1974**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Norm Crewe was a tireless volunteer and a pillar to the Fairview community; and

Whereas Norm volunteered with the Royal Canadian Legion, the Camp Hill Hospital and Veterans Memorial building, the Mission to Seafarers and Saint Mark's Church for years; and

Whereas the Fairview Legion Branch 142 presented Norm with Legionnaire of the Year in January;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in remembering Norm for his dedication to his community, family, and neighbours.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1975**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Rotary Club of Halifax Northwest is guided by a mandate to promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, help mothers and children, support education, and grow local economies; and

Whereas the Rotary partners with and fundraises for many local organizations that support these initiatives; and

Whereas in November, the Rotary Club received news that their club was number one per capita in the district for annual fund giving;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking the board members and the many volunteers at the Rotary Club of Northwest Halifax for their continued efforts in making our community a better place.



**RESOLUTION NO. 1976**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Salvation Army Fairview Citadel provides many services for youth, families, those living with addiction, those experiencing domestic abuse, and much more; and

Whereas the SA holds fundraisers throughout the year, including their widely known Christmas Kettle; and

Whereas in 2019, they had the goal of raising \$70,000, but instead, raised a grand total of just over \$77,700;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating the Fairview Citadel chapter for surpassing their goal and continuing to make the community a better place.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1977**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas in 2014, Wanda and Andrew Aulenback started a small family business called Sense and SensibilTea; and

Whereas the goal of their business is to recreate tea blends from various historical time periods using research and description in novels; and

Whereas in 2017 and 2018, Sense and SensibiliTea won bronze in the Best of Halifax, Best Tea, and silver in 2019 in the same category;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Andrew and Wanda on their continued and growing success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1978**

By: Hon. Patricia Arab (Fairview-Clayton Park)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the YMCA Centre for Immigrant Programs has many programs, some of which include providing information about gender-based violence, how to access available resources in the community, and helping immigrant children and youth settle into school; and

Whereas the Centre has newly partnered with Digital Nova Scotia and Infinitus Academy to offer computer training classes twice a week to 40 clients; and

Whereas the new classes are led by two representatives from Digital NS and two facilitators from Infinitus Academy, along with YMCA staff and volunteers, and are available to newcomers with any level of computer experience;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking the YMCA Centre for Immigrant Programs, Digital NS and Infinitus Academy for this new program, which will help improve the skills of many newcomers.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1979**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Benita Winsor has been a weekly volunteer for the past three years, dedicating her time to Caring and Sharing;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Benita for her decision to volunteer and change the lives of others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1980**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Eleanor Clarke has been a weekly volunteer for the past three years, dedicating her time to Caring and Sharing;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Eleanor for her decision to volunteer and change the lives of others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1981**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Patricia Codner has been the food purchaser and lead clerk with Caring and Sharing for the past five years;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Patricia for her invaluable volunteering efforts for this worthy charity.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1982**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Ellen Sweeney has been an invaluable volunteer with the Angel Tree Program, doing the adult gift bags for the past 12 years;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Ellen for her dedication and devotion to this worthy cause.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1983**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Paula King has taken on many roles in the past five years, serving as fundraiser, treasurer, food purchaser, and now president;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Paula for her compassion and dedication to ensuring this program continues to be a success for our community.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 1984**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Pamela Hutchison has been a volunteer for the past 15 years and is now one of three leaders for the Angel Tree Christmas Program;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly help me take a moment and thank Pamela for her compassion and tireless efforts to help make the Angel Tree Christmas Program a success.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1985**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Dawn Feindel supplies all the pajamas via the pajama program;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering my heartfelt thank you to Dawn for running this program to help others in need.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1986**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Margaret Logan Graham has been a year-round volunteer for the past six years, now serving as lead clerk on Thursdays, and is volunteer coordinator;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Margaret for her dedication, compassion, and desire to help others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1987**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Alasdair Graham has been a clerk on Thursdays for the past six years and will do any odd job that is in need of completion;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Alasdair for all the years of service and the desire to help others in need.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1988**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Allison Gilby stepped up at a moment's notice and has been doing an excellent job as coordinator of the Adopt a Family program for the past three years;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Allison for her commitment and enthusiasm for this worthy charity.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1989**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants & District Chamber of Commerce recognizes a small business that does not exceed six employees and strives for business excellence; and

Whereas LilyPond Vintage exemplifies innovation, stability, and high-quality customer service; and

Whereas LilyPond Vintage also helps the environment by reusing and recycling vintage furniture and preserving pieces of history;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating LilyPond Vintage Furniture and Home Décor for their exceptional business venture and on receiving the 2019 East Hants District Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year 2-6 Employees Award.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1990**

By: Lisa Roberts (Halifax Needham)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas Barbara Ash Gough, a resident of Sunrise Manor for more than nine years, has organized birthday celebrations for residents every month since moving into the building; and

Whereas Ms. Ash Gough also organizes dinners for residents on the holidays - Christmas, Canada Day, and Valentine's Day, to name a few - supporting with fundraising through an ongoing bottle drive; and

Whereas Ms. Ash Gough is working to form a residential tenants' committee to strengthen the voice of tenants on issues concerning their housing and to organize regular social activities for residents;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly acknowledge Barbara Ash Gough for her efforts to create a more connected, enjoyable, and dignified place to live for residents of Sunrise Manor.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1991**

By: Lisa Roberts (Halifax Needham)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas William (Bill) Sampson, a longstanding resident of Sunrise Manor who lost his fight with cancer in 2019, helped organize social activities at Sunrise Manor, including monthly birthday celebrations, holiday dinners, beloved bingo nights, and weekly coffee houses; and

Whereas Mr. Sampson ran the canteen at Sunrise Manor (which he fought long and hard to keep open) and supplied food and beverages to social activities organized by residents; and

Whereas Mr. Sampson, a retired caterer, used the skills of his trade to nourish and enrich the lives of residents at Sunrise Manor;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly acknowledge the community service of William (Bill) Sampson in his efforts to bring joy to the residents of Sunrise Manor.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1992**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been a charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas the success of this program is only as strong as its invaluable volunteers, who selflessly dedicate their time to helping families in need; and

Whereas Reeta Sweeney has selflessly been a part of Caring and Sharing for the past 35 years, holding the position of meeting secretary for 12 of those years;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Reeta for her dedication and devotion to this worth charity.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1993**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:



Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Zachary Morash and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1994**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Aiden O'Donnell and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1995**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Alara Murphy and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1996**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

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Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Brad Jardine and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1997**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Brandon Pike and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1998**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Cayden Leddicote and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 1999**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Cole MacLeod and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2000**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

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Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Cruz Thompson and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2001**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Jamie O'Donnell and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2002**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Jaxson Prior and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2003**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating John Cluett and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2004**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Lucas Arnold and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2005**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Luke Jardine and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2006**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Maddox Allaby and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2007**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Melissa Arnold and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2008**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Mitchell Hamilton and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2009**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:



Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Owen O'Donnell and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2010**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Riccardo Benigno and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2011**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Roman Young and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2012**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Ryder MacQueen and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2013**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating Thomas Emberly and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2014**

By: Hon. Kevin Murphy (Eastern Shore)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Association Pee Wee AAA Mariners entered the legendary Quebec International Pee Wee AAA Tournament in February 2020; and

Whereas the AAA Mariners went undefeated for the regular round robin, playoff, and championship games to bring home the gold medal to the Eastern Shore; and

Whereas this championship experience will last a lifetime for those players, coaches, managers, families, and fans involved;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in congratulating William Cole and the Eastern Shore Minor Hockey Pee Wee AAA Mariners for representing the Eastern Shore with pride and for bringing home the gold to Nova Scotia and in wishing them all well in their hockey careers.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2015**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas The Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas the Enfield legion supplies the work space for Caring and Sharing to operate and charges no rent or fees of any kind:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking the Enfield legion on being one of the biggest contributors to the Caring and Sharing Foodbank.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas The Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Riverview United Church Womens Group is an instrumental group in securing food and monetary donations and volunteering their time for the Caring and Sharing Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Riverview United Church Women's group for their dedication to help others in need .

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2017**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas The Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Knights of Columbus are huge supporters providing hundreds of winter jackets:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering a heartfelt thank you to the Knights of Columbus for the jackets they provide for the Caring and Sharing Food Bank.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2018**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas organizations such as the Caring and Sharing Food Bank rely on the generosity of their community; and

Whereas the Mortgage Group Atlantic Division took it upon themselves to join in the spirit of giving and collected donations for their local food bank; and

Whereas they were able to collect \$3000 in donations;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking the Mortgage Group Atlantic Division on their endeavor to help those less fortunate in their community.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2019**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Sangsters Automotive participates in the Santa Parade collecting a variety of goods and monetary donations in support of Caring and Sharing:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Sangsters for their initiative to help others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas the Enfield RCMP host an annual charity golf tournament with their substantial proceeds being donated to the Caring and Sharing Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in commending the RCMP on their efforts to not only serve and protect our community but to give back as well.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Sobeys plays a huge part in the food recovery program and lends their help in anyway:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Sobeys for being a top contributor to this very worthy charity.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Saint Bernards Catholic Church Womens League is an instrumental group in securing food and monetary donations and volunteering their time for the Caring and Sharing Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly joins me in thanking these thoughtful ladies on their dedication to others.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Come Home East Hants is one of the top monetary supporters of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in expressing heartfelt gratitude to the Come Home East Hants Organization for their continued support of this charity.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas the Caring and Sharing Food Bank has been an invaluable charity in our community for the past 38 years; and

Whereas charities of this nature can only function with the contributions and kind donations of others; and

Whereas Enfield Vision is one of the top supporters of Caring and Sharing taking up Christmas collections as well as donations:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Elmsdale Vision for their initiatives to give back to a very incredible charity.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Jayme Newcombe for the hours she volunteered at the incredibly successful Trivia Night Fundraiser.



**RESOLUTION NO. 2026**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering a sincere thank you to Krista Wardrope for her role in the amazing success of the Trivia Night Fundraiser.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2027**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas on January 29, 2020 the East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank:

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Glenda Goodyear for volunteering her time to make this extraordinary event a success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2028**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Carrie MacDougall for volunteering her time and commitment to this extraordinary event.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2029**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me honouring the time and commitment Juliet Gilmour gave to this extraordinary event.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2030**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Josh Wardrope for his role in making this event an overwhelming success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2031**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Robbie Conley for graciously emceeding the trivia night and making the evening such a great success.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2032**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in offering heartfelt gratitude to Tracey Williams for organizing an immensely successful event that will greatly impact our community.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2033**

By: Hon. Margaret Miller (Hants East)

I hereby give notice that on a future day I shall move the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas East Hants Chamber of Commerce hosted a tremendously successful trivia night in support of the Caring and Sharing Food Bank; and

Whereas such events are not possible without the hard work and time offered by selfless volunteers; and

Whereas the success of the event was a true indication of the effort put forth by each volunteer who helped raise over \$10,000 for the Food Bank;

Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly join me in thanking Krystal Kristiansen for the time she dedicated to helping others.