

The House met at 12:00 noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gaudet, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party, tabled a petition calling for settlement of the RRSS strike.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition calling for government to cover health care costs of those in nursing homes.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Economic Development, rose to announce to the House results of the province's economic growth strategy and to table a progress report.

Comments were made by Mr. MacDonell and Mr. M. MacDonald.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table.

Res. No. 1428 - Hon. Ms. Purves, Minister of Health - congratulations to those nurses receiving awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1429 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - designation of May 18-24 as Public Works Week.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1430 - Hon. Ms. Purves, Minister of Health - applauding health care partners who are providing leadership necessary for all Nova Scotians.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1431 - Hon. Mr. Olive - congratulations to Tracey MacDonald on her achievement.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 55. An Act To Amend Chapter 134 of the Acts of 1923,
An Act to Incorporate the Maritime Oddfellows' Home
(Mrs. Baillie - Pictou West)

NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1432 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Tracey MacDonald on her success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

No. 1433 - Mr. Smith, Dartmouth East - congratulations to Tracey MacDonald on her success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1434 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to those supporting a new Fire Hall for Bridgetown.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1435 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing the contributions of the VON.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1436 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's (on behalf of Mr. Hendsbee, Preston) - congratulations to Dr. Sylvia Hamilton on receipt of the Portia White Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1437 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Irene Wotherspoon on her volunteer service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1438 - Mr. MacEwan, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the service of Archbishop Vincent Waterman.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1439 - Mr. Chataway, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to Jen Russell on graduating from the Atlantic Police Academy.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1440 - Mr. Boudreau, Cape Breton-The Lakes - congratulations to Walter and Regis Day on their 74th anniversary.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1441 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of National Physiotherapy Month.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1442 - Mr. Wilson, Glace Bay - wishing the Glace Bay Lacrosse Association success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1443 - Mr. Carey, Kings West - thanking Fran Alcock for her dedication to helping those in need.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1444 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Dalhousie on its study of industrial overfishing.

Res. No. 1445 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognition of the service of Father Vincent MacLellan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1446 - Hon. Mr. LeBlanc, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Ecole Par-en-Bas on badminton success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1447 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations

to Sherry Conley on receipt of a Canadian Mental Health Association Award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1448 - Mr. Boudreau, Cape Breton-The Lakes - congratulations to Sylvia Chiasson on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1449 - Mr. Chipman, Annapolis - congratulations to the Middleton Pee Wee Girls Hockey team on their success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1450 - Hon. Mr. Balser, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Darrell Cardinell on receipt of a Sea Cadet Medal.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1451 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to the organizers of the Black Basketball Association.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1452 - Mr. Carey, Kings West - congratulations to Kyle Hicks and Shawn Taylor on receipt of hockey awards.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1453 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley (on behalf of Hon. The Speaker) - encouraging the federal

government to reassess the Veteran's Independence Program.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1454 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - expressing gratitude to the members of the Rotary Club of Kentville.

Res. No. 1455 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Members of the Springhill Rotary Club for their commitment.

Res. No. 1456 - Hon. The Speaker - commending John Hopkins on being awarded a Golden Jubilee Medal.

Res. No. 1457 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Keith Bowman on receiving the National Snowmobile Excellence Award.

Res. No. 1458 - Mr. Hendsbee, Preston - paying tribute to the life of Dr. John Savage.

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 52. Cosmetology Act

A debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Wilson, Deveaux and Hon. Mr. Russell, who moved that the debate be adjourned. On a recorded vote, there being 33 for and 8 against, the debate was adjourned.

CWH ON BILLS

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bill, made progress and begged leave to sit again.

No. 36. Financial Measures (2003) Act. 16 hrs. 07 mins.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May 20th at 12:00 noon.