The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health, tabled the Annual Report of the Cumberland Health Authority for the year 2002-2003.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 521 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - calling for the implementation of waste reduction strategies.

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

Res. No. 522 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, (on behalf of Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources) - recognizing the Halifax Cornwallis Progress Club for their support of Phoenix youth programs.

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

Res. No. 523 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Health - congratulations to Ann Power on nomination for a Women of Excellence Award.

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

Res. No. 524 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Dr. Philip Hicks on being installed as President of Nova Scotia Agriculture College.

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

Res. No. 525 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Richmond County on a health promotion award.

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

Res. No. 526 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to the top 101 companies in Atlantic Canada.

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

Res. No. 527 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - recognition of the Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Nova Scotia on signing an agreement with Nova Scotia.

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

Res. No. 528 -Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Lawrence Conrad on receipt of an entrepreneur award.

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

Res. No. 529 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognizing the efforts of Canadian Securities Administrators to raise awareness of investing concepts among young people.

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

Res. No. 530 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance - congratulations to several Nova Scotia companies on their entrepreneurial spirit.

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

Res. No. 531 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to Co-ops for their efforts.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 532 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - the Canadian Alliance should demand Allan Rock's resignation due to offshore contracts awarded overseas.

Res. No. 533 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to Media Spark Inc. 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. 534 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester Musquodoboit Valley - congratulations to the new government in Newfoundland.

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

Res. No. 535 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognizing the lifetime commitment of Donald Newcombe.

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

Res. No. 536 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - the NDP must explain to industry how they propose to tax industry an additional 450 million dollars.

Res. No. 537 - Hon. Mr. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism and Culture - congratulations to Bill Higgins on is potato crop.

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

Res. No. 538 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - government must take action to resolve staffing and funding for home care.

Res. No. 539 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Maritime Travel Inc. on being named a top employer.

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

Res. No. 540 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to the Pictou Library and Innovation Centre and its supporters.

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

Res. No. 541 - Mr. Theriault, Digby Annapolis - congratulations to Faith Turner-Anderson on winning a poster contest.

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

Res. No. 542 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - the Minister of Community Services must commit to decreasing the number of those going hungry.

Res. No. 543 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - working with the farming community in trying to find a solution to the BSE crisis.

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

Res. No. 544 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - urging government to table its plan to deal with the assessment issue.

Res. No. 545 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to youths with the Whitney Pier Youth Club on being chosen to spend a day in Disney World.

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

Res. No. 546 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to the West Hants Thunder Mite Softball team on its success.

- Res. No. 547 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Mt. Denson Garden Club on expanding knowledge of gardening.
- Res. No. 548 Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - applauding the efforts of the Martock and Windsor Forks Women's Institute.
- Res. No. 549 Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy applauding Sister Dorothy Moore on being named to the Order of Nova Scotia.
- Res. No. 550 Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education congratulations to Mount Saint Vincent University graduates.
- Res. No. 551 Hon. The Speaker thanking all foster families in Nova Scotia.
- Res. No. 552 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Lesley Ross on her athletic achievements.
- Res. No. 553 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Nita Rushton on her heroism.
- Res. No. 554 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Kyle Purdy on his athletic achievements.
- Res. No. 555 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Stephen Boyce on his golfing success.
- Res. No. 556 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to George Goguen on being honoured for his contribution to the art world.
- Res. No. 557 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to all involved in the Ship's Company Theatre.
- Res. No. 558 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Katie Spicer on her soccer success.
- Res. No. 559 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to the Members of the River Hebert Women's dart league of Legion Branch 14.
- Res. No. 560 Hon. The Speaker congratulations to Michelle Pieroway on her examination success.

Res. No. 561 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Megan Patriquin on winning Tri-County Idol.

Res. No. 562 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Phil Sprague on his tournament win.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 289 - Health - Wait List: Seriousness - Min. Realize

A debate arose during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 489 - Fin. - Deficit: Action Plan - Table

A debate arose during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Christie, Messrs. Steele and Sampson. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, October $23^{\rm rd}$ at 12:00 Noon.