

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

Res. No. 3533 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of those who spent time in P.O.W. camps.

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

Comments were made with the Hon. The Premier in recognition of Ray Epstein, a former P.O.W. and father of M.L.A. Howard Epstein. Comments were also made with Mr. Samson.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, tabled a petition calling for post educational funding.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition calling for post educational funding.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Langille, Colchester North, tabled a petition calling for repaving of Spring Waters Place.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works, rose to announce that the government of Canada has ordered a full panel environmental review of the Sydney Tar Ponds cleanup. He advised of the opposition of many groups, including the Province of N.S. to such a course of action.

Comments were made with Messrs. Gosse and Sampson.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3534 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the Battle of the Atlantic.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3535 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - recognition of Motorcycle Awareness Month.

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

Res. No. 3536 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of the 2006 Juno Awards in Halifax.

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

Res. No. 3537 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Mental Health Week.

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

Res. No. 3538 - Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, on behalf of Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of Emergency Preparedness Week.

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

Res. No. 3539 - Hon. Mr. Morash, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Occupational Safety and Health Week.

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

Res. No. 3540 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - congratulations to recipients of Physical Activity Grants.

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

Res. No. 3541 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Rick Hansen on his Wheels in Motion event.

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 bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 181. An Act to Amend Chapter 7 of the Acts of 1996, the Occupational Health and Safety Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 182. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Utilities Act

(Mr. Samson - Leader in the House of the Liberal Party)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 3542 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognition of Asian Heritage Month.

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

Res. No. 3543 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House for the Liberal Party - recognition of Archbishop Hayes.

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

Res. No. 3544 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Sara Watters on her performance.

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

Res. No. 3545 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - being wary of the Liberal plan for rural economic development.

Res. No. 3546 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the government to conclude several agreements with the federal government.

Res. No. 3547 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Dr. Scott Malcolm for his tsunami relief efforts.

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

Res. No. 3548 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of Dr. Lynn McIntyre's service.

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

Res. No. 3549 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Roland Barriault on his service awards.

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

Res. No. 3550 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Ethel Fahey for 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. 3551 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the services of Frances Harper.

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

Res. No. 3552 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to the Halls Harbour and Canning Fire Departments involved in a successful food drive.

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

Res. No. 3553 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - thanks to those contributing to the success of the Eastern Shore Wildlife Rehabilitation and Rescue Centre.

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

Res. No. 3554 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Patricia Arab 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. 3555 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Dawn Henderson's Grade 5 and 6 classes on winning the Eco-Pals poster contest.

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

Res. No. 3556 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Joyce Tucker on receipt of a volunteer award.

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

Res. No. 3557 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - acknowledging the efforts of the Nova Scotia workforce.

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

Res. No. 3558 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Karen Hennigar on her curling success.

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

Res. No. 3559 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the Eastern Front Theatre on its Satchmo Suite.

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

Res. No. 3560 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Denise Haynes on her racquetball success.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3561 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - congratulations to those involved with the French public speaking contest at M.S.V.U.

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

Res. No. 3562 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognition of the Battle of the Atlantic.

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

Res. No. 3563 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - recognition of Marshall Hassin and wife on their retirement.

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

Res. No. 3564 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing Stan Gilbert and Mike McArthur.

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

Res. No. 3565 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of the service of Doris M. Gillis on her 92nd birthday.

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

Res. No. 3566 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - wishing success to Ajit Sidhu.

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

Res. No. 3567 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Carl and Evelyn Palmer.

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

Res. No. 3568 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Gladys Bower on her 107th birthday.

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

Res. No. 3569 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognition of the Battle of the Atlantic.

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

Res. No. 3570 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of National Hospice Palliative Care week.

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

Res. No. 3571 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to District 9 Citizens Association's new executive.

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

Res. No. 3572 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of Sinclair Wesley Williams for his police service.

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

Res. No. 3573 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Tallahassee School on its tsunami relief efforts.

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

Res. No. 3574 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognition of the service of Constable Bill Chapman.

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

Res. No. 3575 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of the Battle of the Atlantic.

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

Res. No. 3576 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of Halifax Choppers.

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

Res. No. 3577 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Giberson family on its environmental protection efforts.

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

Res. No. 3578 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Rita MacNeil 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. 3579 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Stephen Baskwell for his dedication.

Res. No. 3580 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - congratulations to Robert Jamieson Elementary School on the "King and I".

Res. No. 3581 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Trenton Park and Campground.

Res. No. 3582 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Cameron's Farm Country Market.

Res. No. 3583 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Grohmann Knives.

Res. No. 3584 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Community Services - commending Marie Bishop for her community work.

Res. No. 3585 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Pat Terrio and Pure Energy.

Res. No. 3586 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Pugwash Panthers.

Res. No. 3587 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Dr. Tim Wallace.

Res. No. 3588 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - congratulations to Martha Saunders.

Res. No. 3589 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Adam McKay.

Res. No. 3590 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Kate McMillan.

Res. No. 3591 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Tracy McNutt.

Res. No. 3592 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Michelle Miers.

Res. No. 3593 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Fraser family.

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 180. Municipal Government Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond, Ms. Whalen, Mr. Estabrooks, Mr. Colwell and Hon. Mr. Barnet in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

No. 177. Financial Measures (2005) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Steele, M. MacDonald and Deveaux, who adjourned the debate.

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate arose during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Taylor and Gaudet. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem com.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate on the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E9, relating to the Department of Health. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

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 Tuesday, May 3rd at 12:00 Noon.