

The House reconvened at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

The Hon. The Premier addressed the Speaker as follows:

“Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present to you and to all members of this House Judy Streach, the newly elected Member for the electoral district of Chester-St. Margaret’s. The honourable member has taken the oath, signed the roll and now exercises her claim to take her seat.”

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, tabled a petition calling for removal of the tax on home heating oil.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition calling for the replacement of the Little Toney River Bridge.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage, tabled the Annual Reports of the Capital Health 2004-2005, the Colchester-East Hants Health Authority 2004-2005, South Shore Health 2004-2005, Annapolis Valley Health 2004-2005, Guysborough Antigonish Strait Health Authority 2004-2005 and the Psychiatric Facilities Review Board 2002-2003.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier rose to thank Danny Graham for his public service.

Comments were made with Mr. Dexter and Mr. McNeil.

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. The Premier rose to reflect on the earthquake disaster in Pakistan and announced a donation of funds for relief purposes. He also advised that fees will be waived under the nominee program for Pakistanis wishing to avail themselves of the program.

Comments were made with Mr. Dexter and Mr. Samson. The House observed one minute of silence.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 4425 - Hon. The Premier - best wishes to Ronald Russell on his return.

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

Res. No. 4426 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to those ending the CBC strike.

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

Res. No. 4427 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Judy Streach on her election.

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

Res. No. 4428 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of U.N.S.M. in supporting women's participation in politics.

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

Res. No. 4429 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - recognition of Veterinary Technicians.

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

Res. No. 4430 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of the Veterans' Exhibition on display at Province House.

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

Res. No. 4431 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of Women's History Month and those who served in the armed forces.

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. 222. An Act to Recover Damages and Health-care Costs from Manufacturers of Tobacco

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 223. An Act to Delay the Application for Rate Increases by Nova Scotia Power

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 224. An Act to Amend Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Income Tax Act

(Mr. Estabrooks - Timberlea-Prospect)

No. 225. An Act to Amend Chapter 12 of the Acts of 2002, the Smoke-free Places Act

(Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald - Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage)

No. 226. An Act to Amend Chapter 214 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Human Rights Act

(Mr. MacKinnon - Cape Breton West)

No. 227. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Utilities Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the

Clerk's table:

Res. No. 4432 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of the public service of the Premier and Danny Graham.

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

Res. No. 4433 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - calling for cancelling permits for strip mining at Boularderie Island.

Res. No. 4434 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - encouraging an end to the strike at National Gypsum.

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

Res. No. 4435 - Mr. Deveau, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - working with Villa Acadienne to add beds for seniors.

Res. No. 4436 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - thanking veterans.

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

Res. No. 4437- Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - calling upon the federal government to assist the Boudarenko family.

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

Res. No. 4438 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognition of Safe Harbour Metropolitan Community Church.

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

Res. No. 4439 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the African United Baptist Association Women's Institute and Rosetta Beals.

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

Res. No. 4440 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognition of the late Pat Fougere.

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

Res. No. 4441 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - calling for National Gypsum to get back to the table.

Res. No. 4442 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognition of the efforts of our forces following Hurricane Katrina.

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

Res. No. 4443 - Ms. Streach, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognition of those providing continuing care.

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

Res. No. 4444 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognition of the Nine Mile River Women's Institute.

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

Res. No. 4445 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognition of Bob Emin.

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

Res. No. 4446 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - recognition of those providing continuing care.

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

Res. No. 4447 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax-Chebucto - recognition of the late George Hawkins.

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

Res. No. 4448 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Autumn House.

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

Res. No. 4449 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - recognition of municipal politicians.

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

Res. No. 4450 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - recognition of those involved with the Lime Doser Project.

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

Res. No. 4451 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to those assisting with literacy.

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

Res. No. 4452 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to J.D. Fortune on his musical success.

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

Res. No. 4453 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Tom and Lori Miller on receipt of a woodlot owner award.

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

Res. No. 4454 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Wilfred Jackson on his community service.

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

Res. No. 4455 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - thanking the government for maintaining the railway in Cape Breton.

Res. No. 4456 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - calling for support for the Halifax Y.W.C.A.

Res. No. 4457 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - recognition of the bravery of Phillip Comeau.

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

Res. No. 4458 - Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview - recognition of the Canadian Ugandan Association on its fundraising.

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

Res. No. 4459 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - recognition of those providing continuing care.

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

Res. No. 4460 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Hannah Vaughan on her athletic success.

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

Res. No. 4461 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to athletes from Lunenburg County involved in the Canada Games.

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

Res. No. 4462 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - recognizing commitments to the steelworkers of Sysco.

Res. No. 4463 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - recognition of upgrades at Halifax International Airport.

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

Res. No. 4464 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid -

recognition of those attending Youth Links.

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

Res. No. 4465 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - recognition of Clark's Harbour for their efforts regarding veterans.

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

Res. No. 4466 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - urging the naming of the new high school as Sir John A. MacDonald High School.

Res. No. 4467 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East, on behalf of the Speaker - congratulations to Audrey O'Brien on her appointment as Clerk of the House of Commons.

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

Res. No. 4468 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - calling for a new municipal equalization formula.

Res. No. 4469 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - best wishes to the Waverley Fire Department.

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

Res. No. 4470 - Mr. Deveau, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to the Eastern Passage Cow Bay Intermediate Minor Baseball Team.

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

Res. No. 4471 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the Fultz Corner Restoration Society for their work regarding veterans.

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

Res. No. 4472 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - calling for funding for the Youth in Care newsletter project.

Res. No. 4473 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - ensuring occupancy in the new Halifax peninsula high school for the 2007 school year.

Res. No. 4474 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to Windsor and those involved with the Pumpkin Regatta.

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

Res. No. 4475 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - calling for a properly funded early childhood care and learning system.

Res. No. 4476 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Jenna Marks on her athletic success.

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

Res. No. 4477 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to medal recipients at the Canada Games.

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

Res. No. 4478 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Wayne Hamilton on his appointment.

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

EMERGENCY DEBATE

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, moved that the business of the House be adjourned to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely the matter of soaring energy costs and its impact.

SPEAKER'S RULING

Mr. Speaker ruled the matter in order and the House agreed to the matter proceeding unanimously following the regular business of the House at 6:00 P.M. this day.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Res. No. 4479 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4480 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4481 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4482 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulations to the Guysborough Home Support Agency.

Res. No. 4483 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4484 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4485 - Ms. Streach, Chester-St. Margaret's - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4486 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - thanking those involved in continuing care.

Res. No. 4487 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to those making the Maritime Fall Fair a success.

Res. No. 4488 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Ruby Mae Beals.

Res. No. 4489 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Rosella Bundy.

Res. No. 4490 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Gladys Cain.

Res. No. 4491 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Edith Colley.

Res. No. 4492 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Edith Cromwell.

Res. No. 4493 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Irene David.

Res. No. 4494 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Dorothy Daye.

Res. No. 4495 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Hatie Daye.

Res. No. 4496 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Grace Douglas.

Res. No. 4497 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Marjorie Fairfax.

Res. No. 4498 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Vivian Fowler.

Res. No. 4499 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Emma Fraser.

Res. No. 4500 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Gracie Glasgow.

Res. No. 4501 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Evelyn Grant.

Res. No. 4502 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Evelyn Jackson.

Res. No. 4503 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Theta Jackson.

Res. No. 4504 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Elsie Johnson.

Res. No. 4505 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Josephine Johnson.

Res. No. 4506 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Rita Mae Johnson.

Res. No. 4507 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Mildred Lucas.

Res. No. 4508 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister L. Maude MacLean.

Res. No. 4509 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Mayola Mansfield.

Res. No. 4510 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Viola Marsman.

Res. No. 4511 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Deacon Frances Mills Clements.

Res. No. 4512 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Miriam "Hilda" Nelson.

Res. No. 4513 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Edith Oliver.

Res. No. 4514 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Enid Parsons.

Res. No. 4515 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Ruby Provo.

Res. No. 4516 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Bessie Ross.

Res. No. 4517 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Mildred Smith.

Res. No. 4518 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Noreen Smith.

Res. No. 4519 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Deaconess Bessie Sparks.

Res. No. 4520 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Mary Sparks.

Res. No. 4521 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Pearl Sparks.

Res. No. 4522 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Deacon Emeritus Joyce Symonds.

Res. No. 4523 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Aleta Thomas.

Res. No. 4524 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Evelina Upshaw.

Res. No. 4525 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Aleta Williams.

Res. No. 4526 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to Sister Elizabeth Smith Wright.

PUBLIC BILLS

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

No. 203. Involuntary Psychiatric Treatment Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Pye and Mr. Deveau, who adjourned the debate.

EMERGENCY DEBATE

As requested earlier by Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, the Emergency Debate began with the following taking part: Mr. M. MacDonald, Ms. Whalen, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Messrs. Dexter, Sampson, Hon. Mr. Fage, Messrs. Corbett, Theriault, Taylor and Epstein.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, October 14th at 9:00 A.M.