The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy, tabled a petition from those concerned about the Clearwater facility at North Sydney.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic, tabled a petition concerning making N.S. a genetically engineered plant free zone.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 4607 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - regarding recognition of the opening of the new Office of African Nova Scotian Affairs.

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

Res. No. 4608 - Hon. Mr. Fage, Minister of Economic Development - thanking those assisting in areas in the USA and Pakistan affected by hurricanes.

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

Res. No. 4609 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to Berwick and District School on receipt of an award regarding fire safety.

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

Res. No. 4610 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of veterans.

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

Res. No. 4611 - Hon. Mr. R. MacDonald, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of a heritage strategy.

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

Res. No. 4612 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - supporting interprovincial cooperation in a public service conference.

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

Res. No. 4613 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to Vaughne Madden on her role as Chief Executive Officer of the Office of Acadian Affairs.

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

Res. No. 4614 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of C.F.I.B. on its 35^{th} anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4615 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - recognition of Persons Day.

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

Res. No. 4616 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - recognition of the Merchant Navy.

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. 236. An Act to Amend Chapter 430 of the Revised

Statutes of 1989, the Small Claims Court Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 237. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Maintenance and Enforcement Act

(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)

No. 238. An Act to Change the Name of the Cape Breton Family Young Men's Christian Association and to Amend Chapter 115 of the Acts of 1886, an Act Respecting the Cape Breton Family Young Men's Christian Association

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 239. An Act to Amend Chapter 141 of the Acts of 1925, an Act to Incorporate the Northern Yacht Club

(Hon. Mr. Clarke - Cape Breton North)

No. 240. An Act to Amend Chapter 147 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Energy Resources Conservation Act

(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)

No. 241. An Act Respecting Commercial Mediation

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 242. An Act to Amend Chapter 179 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Forests Act

(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)

No. 243. An Act to Amend Chapter 8 of the Acts of 1990, the Emergency Measures Act; and Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Service Act

(Hon. Mr. Fage - Minister of Economic Development)

No. 244. An Act to Amend Chapter 30 of the Acts of 2001, the Enforcement of Canadian Judgements and Decrees Act

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

No. 245. An to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)

No. 246. An Act to Implement the Hague Convention on the Law Applicable to Trusts and on their Recognition

(Hon. Mr. Baker - Minister of Justice)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 4617 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to students in the Tri-County School Board area on the sale of home energy conservation kits.

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

Res. No. 4618 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of Waste Reduction Week.

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

Res. No. 4619 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to R.C.L. Branch 73 on its 60^{th} anniversary.

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

Res. No. 4620 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - remembering the late Elizabeth LeFort.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 4621 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - acknowledging African Nova Scotian Affairs on the launch of its new office.

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

Res. No. 4622 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to the Pictou County All Terrain Vehicle Club 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. 4623 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Erin Pegg on her athletic performance.

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

Res. No. 4624 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to the East Dartmouth Recreation Centre Society working toward a community centre.

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

Res. No. 4625 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Tom Miller and wife Lori for their dedication to our forests.

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

Res. No. 4626 - Ms. Streatch, Chester-St. Margaret's - congratulations to the Chester Legion 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. 4627 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to Garnet Wright on his successful enterprise.

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

Res. No. 4628 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - thanking volunteers at Sherbrooke Village participating in the Good Fences, Good Neighbours Painting Party.

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

Res. No. 4629 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of the initiative of the Pictou County Heritage Military Museum.

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

Res. No. 4630 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Matthew van Rossum on his participation in the skills competition in Finland.

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

Res. No. 4631 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Bernie Hart 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. 4632 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the late Bill Zinck.

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

Res. No. 4633 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to the Cobequid Community Health Centre Foundation on is walkathon.

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

Res. No. 4634 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Katie Henwood.

Res. No. 4635 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alex Harrison.

Res. No. 4636 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to David Ferguson.

Res. No. 4637 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Chelsie Cormier.

Res. No. 4638 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Kari Bragg.

Res. No. 4639 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Michael Arsenault.

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 225. Smoke-free Places Act

The debate resumed with Mr. Sampson, Mr. Parker, Ms. Whalen, Messrs. Pye, Glavine, H. David Wilson, Colwell and Hon. Mr. MacDonald 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. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 228. Social Workers Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. More, Mr. M. MacDonald, Mr. Estabrooks and Hon. Mr. Muir 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. Muir, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 230. Housing Development Corporation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Gosse, who adjourned the debate.

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 Wednesday, October $19^{\rm th}$ at 2:00 P.M.