The House met at 7:00 P.M.

Prayers.

POINT OF PRIVILEGE

Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, rose on a point of privilege concerning the non-proclamation of 23 bills, which he tabled.

Comments were made with Hon. Mr. Russell, Deputy Premier.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter on advisement.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Gaudet, Clare, tabled a petition regarding the Baseline Road in Cape St. Mary.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition calling for more trips by community transit to Porter's Lake/Preston.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition calling on government to index Income Assistance.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition regarding Terrance Bay Road access.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, tabled a petition regarding video lottery terminals.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 66 - Hon. Mr. Russell, Minister of Immigration and Minister of Human Resources - saluting veterans involved in 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. 67 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - recognition of World Red Cross Day.

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

Res. No. 68 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - congratulations to Larry Gibson on receipt of a Harry Jerome Award.

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

Res. No. 69 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Transportation and Public Works on behalf of Hon. Mr. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of Drinking Water Week.

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. 28. An Act to Amend Chapter 376 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Service Act

(Hon. Mr. Russell - Minister of Human Resources)

No. 29. An Act to Stop the Spread of Crystal Methamphetamine in Nova Scotia

(Mr. Deveaux - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)

No. 30. An Act to Amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Day Care Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 31. An Act Respecting Licensed Practical Nurses

(Hon. Mr. d'Entremont - Minister of Health)

No. 32. An Act to Provide Insurance Protection for Emergency Responders

(Mr. Dexter - Leader of the Opposition)

No. 33. An Act to Amend Chapter 27 of the Acts of 2000, the Employment Support and Income Assistance Act

(Mr. M. MacDonald - Cape Breton South)

No. 34. An Act Respecting the Practice of Registered Nurses

(Hon. Mr. d'Entremont - Minister of Health)

No. 35. An Act to Protect Civil Servants who Disclose Government Wrongdoing

(Mr. Corbett - Cape Breton Centre)

No. 36. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Education Act

(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

No. 37. An Act to Amend Chapter 380 fo the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Utilities Act

(Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 38. An Act to Amend Chapter 4 of the Acts of 1997, the Gas Distribution Act and Chapter 380 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Public Utilities Act

(Mr. Epstein - Halifax Chebucto)

No. 39. An Act to Amend Chapter 1 of the Acts of 1994-95, the Environment Act

(Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 40. An Act Respecting the Protection and Portability of Health Insurance

(Ms. Raymond - Halifax Atlantic)

No. 41. An Act to Amend Chapter 3 of the Acts of 1987, the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation (Nova Scotia) Act

(Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson - Minister of Environment and Labour)

No. 42. An Act to Amend Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Day Care Act

(Ms. More - Dartmouth South-Portland Valley)

No. 43. An Act to Amend Chapter 365 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Provincial Finance Act

(Mr. Steele - Halifax Fairview)

No. 44. An Act to Amend Chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Consumer Reporting Act

(Mr. Estabrooks - Timberlea-Prospect)

No. 45. An Act to Amend Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1993, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

(Mr. David A. Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid)

No. 46. An Act to Amend Chapter 211 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Housing Act

(Mr. Gosse - Cape Breton Nova)

No. 47. An Act to Amend Chapter 293 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Motor Vehicle Act

(Mr. David A. Wilson - Sackville-Cobequid)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 70 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Eastern Passage Education Centre on its wrestling success.

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

Res. No. 71 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - congratulations to H.M.C.S. Acadia on its 50^{th} anniversary.

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

Res. No. 72 - Mr. Parent, Kings North - congratulations to Hants Kings Business Development Centre.

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

Res. No. 73 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Melanie Tingley on her business success.

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

Res. No. 74 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - regarding electronic petitions.

Res. No. 75 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Gladys E. Bower on her $108^{\rm th}$ birthday.

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

Res. No. 76 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognizing the need for support for artistic and cultural communities.

Res. No. 77 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to New Beginning Ministries.

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

Res. No. 78 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East, on behalf of Mr. Fage, Cumberland North - recognition of Pugwash Archery Club owner Jamie Hicks and his fiancee Kelly.

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

Res. No. 79 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - recognition of the late John Lindsay.

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

Res. No. 80 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - recognition of National Nurses Week.

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

Res. No. 81 - Mr. Hines, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - congratulations to Cansport and its President Lee Adamski.

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

Res. No. 82 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - calling for funding for reconstruction of the Williams Lake Dam or waiving 21st century specifications.

Res. No. 83 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of Highland Manor on its 20th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 84 - Mr. DeWolfe, Pictou East - congratulations to Andrea Dykstra on her achievements.

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

Res. No. 85 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognition of Clary Croft for his service.

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

Res. No. 86 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognition of National 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. 87 - Mr. O'Donnell, Shelburne - congratulations to Shelburne and Barrington Chambers of Commerce.

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

Res. No. 88 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - calling upon Hon. Mr. Taylor to support free fishing licences for seniors.

Res. No. 89 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Clare Acadien AA Midget Hockey team on its success.

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

Res. No. 90 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - recognition of the service of Winnie Surette.

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

Res. No. 91 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to Le Transport de Clare on its 10^{th} anniversary.

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

Res. No. 92 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of the volunteer service of Bob Cushing.

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

Res. No. 93 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Education - congratulations to John and Judy Wheelock on their house restoration.

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

Res. No. 94 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to Prince Andrew High on hosting the Bravo Conference.

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

Res. No. 95 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Elizabeth Toth on her $102^{\rm nd}$ birthday.

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

Res. No. 96 - Hon. Mr. Taylor, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of wetland conservation and the North American Waterfowl Management Plan.

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

Res. No. 97 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to the Beacon House on becoming mortgage free.

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

Res. No. 98 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - recognition of the quick action of Sherman Saunders.

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

Res. No. 99 - Hon. Mr. Taylor, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of the Colchester Regional Hospital Foundation and municipal units.

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

Res. No. 100 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Fabian McKenzie on being named coach of the year.

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

Res. No. 101 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - congratulations to Tristan Johnson on his boxing success.

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

Res. No. 102 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Astral Drive Elementary School on its Wizard of Oz production.

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

Res. No. 103 - Mr. Sampson, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to Wong's Bras d'or House Restaurant on its 41st anniversary.

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

Res. No. 104 - Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto - congratulations to Sakyong Mipham Rinpoche and Semo Tseyang Ripa on their marriage.

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

Res. No. 105 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - calling for motor vehicle noise legislation.

Res. No. 106 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to the N.S. Senior Men's curling team.

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

Res. No. 107 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognition of the Atlantic Lottery Corporation.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 108 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - recognition of medical laboratory technologists.

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

Res. No. 109 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - calling upon government to deal with injuries and fatalities at crosswalks.

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

Res. No. 110 - Mr. Pye, Dartmouth North - congratulations to the Residents Society on its Winterfest.

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

Res. No. 111 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing Mr. George Thompson.

Res. No. 112 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing Erin Garner.

Res. No. 113 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - congratulations to Arlene Redmond.

Res. No. 114 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - applauding Dalhousie students on their concrete canoe abilities.

Res. No. 115 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - condolences regarding Kathleen Morgan.

Res. No. 116 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the contributions of CAPRE.

Res. No. 117 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Emily Holland.

Res. No. 118 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Nicole Verstichelen.

Res. No. 119 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to Jessica

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- Res. No. 120 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Sarah Calder.
- Res. No. 121 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Hillary Cameron.
- Res. No. 122 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Abbie Hankinson.
- Res. No. 123 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Hailey Reagh.
- Res. No. 124 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Brittany Blinn.
- $Res.\ No.\ 125-Mr.\ Glavine,\ Kings\ West-congratulations\ to\ Cassie\ Odegard.$
- Res. No. 126 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Alana Burgess.
- Res. No. 127 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Stacey Walsh.
- Res. No. 128 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Max Charest.
- Res. No. 129 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Bruce Naugler.
- Res. No. 130 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Bob Byrne.
- $\label{eq:Res.No.131-Mr.Glavine, Kings West-congratulations to Leann Blinn.}$ Res. No. 131 Mr. Glavine, Kings West congratulations to Leann

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

On motion, the adjourned debate on the Address in Reply was then resumed. The debate continued with Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party and Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova, who adjourned the debate.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Tuesday, May $9^{\text{th}},\,2006$ at 1:00 P.M.