

DEMOCRACY 250 LAUNCH

At 11:00 o'clock A.M. this day, the Members of the House of Assembly being present, Her Honour, the Honourable Mayann E. Francis, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Nova Scotia, the Hon. John Hamm and the Hon. Russell MacLellan, Co-chairs, Democracy 250, the Hon. Peter MacKay, the Hon. Peter Milliken and the Hon. Cecil Clarke came to the chamber of the House of Assembly.

The Hon. Mr. Speaker welcomed the guests in attendance, made a few remarks and then introduced the following speakers:

Her Honour, the Honourable Mayann E. Francis, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia

Hon. Peter MacKay, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Hon. Peter Milliken, Speaker of the House of Commons

Hon. Rodney MacDonald, The Premier

Mr. Darrell Dexter, Leader of the Opposition

Mr. Stephen McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party

Her Honour, the Honourable Mayann E. Francis, was first to say a few words on Democracy 250 and was followed in order by the distinguished guests listed above.

We Are the Children of the World was sung by the Pictou District Honour Choir and were given a standing ovation.

The Speaker then asked Her Honour and the Official Party to come forward to unveil the Logo for Democracy 250. The Democracy 250 Logo was unveiled by Her Honour and Speaker Milliken .

The national anthem was sung by the Pictou District Honour Choir.

The Hon. Mr. Speaker then invited the members and guests to a reception celebrating the launch of the Democracy 250 in the Red Chamber.