

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Conrad, Queens, tabled a petition concerning the condition of the Hirtle Road.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health, rose to announce a new program whereby ten new seats will be added at the Dalhousie Medical School.

Comments were made with Messrs. David A. Wilson and McNeil.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2476 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to the public servants on their support of the United Way.

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

Res. No. 2477 - Hon. The Premier - welcoming Dan Reed of the NBA Division League.

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

Res. No. 2478 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Labour and Workforce Development - recognition of Safety Associations in Nova Scotia .

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

Res. No. 2479 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - celebrating Arbor Day.

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

Res. No. 2480 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Services - welcoming delegates to the Red Cross Atlantic Conference on Disaster Management.

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

Res. No. 2481 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - recognition of Fred Armitage on receiving the Inspiring Lives Award.

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

Res. No. 2482 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - thanking competitors and volunteers involved with the Glube Cup.

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

Res. No. 2483 - Hon. Mr. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture - recognizing organic agriculture and show support for the new Nova Scotia Organic Council.

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

Res. No. 2484 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Labour and Workforce Development - congratulations to several individuals for their support of literacy initiatives.

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

Res. No. 2485 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister responsible for Military Relations - welcoming HMCS Charlottetown and the ship's company back to port.

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. 159. An Act to Amend Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1993, the Tobacco Access Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

No. 160. An Act to Amend Chapter 199 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Heritage Property Act

(Mr. Theriault - Digby-Annapolis)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2486 - Hon. Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - welcoming home the officers and crew of the HMCS Charlottetown.

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

Res. No. 2487 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to employees of Emera for support of the Healing the Bruises Program at Alice Housing.

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

Res. No. 2488 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognition of Glad Tidings congregation and wishing Brett Eagles a safe return home.

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

Res. No. 2489 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - recognizing Andrew Burgess and Derek Avramenko for their project War Heros/Our Heros project.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2490 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - recognition of Albert Bohemier on being named OTANS Petroleum Pioneer.

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

Res. No. 2491 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of the late Doug Eddy for his commitment to the Town of New Glasgow.

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

Res. No. 2492 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Gary Banks on being awarded a Scroll of Recognition for his 35 years of service to the Shag Harbour-Bear Point Volunteer Fire Department.

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

Res. No. 2493 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - congratulations to West Kings District High production of "Grease".

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

Res. No. 2494 - Mr. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of members of the Baddeck Curling Club an a successful fundraiser.

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

Res. No. 2495 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ivan Fraser on the publication of his new book, *Peggy of the Cove- Secrets*.

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

Res. No. 2496 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations on behalf of Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - recognition of the Lunenburg County Ground Search and Rescue on their

30th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 2497 - Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education - congratulations to Lauren Ross.

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

Res. No. 2498 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the North Sydney Garden Club on its 50th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 2499 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Environment - congratulations to Gladys Wagner on receipt of the Inspiring Lives Award.

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

Res. No. 2500 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to the Bedford Players on their 25th anniversary of theatre production.

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

Res. No. 2501 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of Andrew Boudreau on winning his second Royal Conservatory of Music Silver Medal.

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

Res. No. 2502 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of those involved with the Veteran Kings Citizen Patrol Volunteers in Kings County.

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

Res. No. 2503 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - congratulations to those honoured by the 11th Annual Yarmouth County Sports Heritage Awards banquet.

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

Res. No. 2504 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - congratulations to Daniel Arsenault on being the inspiration behind "The Hop", to raise money and awareness for Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

Res. No. 2505 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Tim Gillis on receipt of the Art Lighfoot Memorial Award.

Res. No. 2506 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Lauren Perry on earning a spot on the provincial debating squad.

Res. No. 2507 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Kyla Shields on earning a spot on the provincial debating squad.

Res. No. 2508 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Gabe Rosconi-Robertson on earning a spot on the provincial debating squad.

Res. No. 2509 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Justin O'Rourke on receipt of the Chief Scout's Award.

Res. No. 2510 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to James and Pauline How on celebrating the 300th year of the oldest wood-frame house in Canada.

Res. No. 2511 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Special Olympian Eileen Ramsay on her success in cross-country skiing.

Res. No. 2512 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to students and staff at Lawrencetown Consolidated School on being named School of the Year in the Annual Mobius Environmental Awards.

Res. No. 2513 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to New Beginnings Ministries on their opening ceremonies in a new facility.

Res. No. 2514 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - congratulations to the Windsor Royals Junior Hockey Club on winning the Don Johnson Cup.

Res. No. 2515 - Hon. The Speaker - applauding the Boy Scout movement.

Res. No. 2516 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Environment - recognizing Nathan Young for receiving the Inspiring Lives Award.

Res. No. 2517 - Mr. Fage, Cumberland North - congratulations to Garry Stack and the staff at the Barnes Insurance Agency for receiving the Brokerage of the Year award.

Res. No. 2518 - Mr. Fage, Cumberland North - congratulations to Cheney McWaters on receipt of the Loran Award and the Nova Scotia Recycling Award.

Res. No. 2519 - Mr. Fage, Cumberland North - congratulations to firefighters and emergency responders.

Res. No. 2520 - Mr. Fage, Cumberland North - congratulations to Susan Thibodeau, board members and clients on the new Bridge Adult Service Centre.

Res. No. 2521 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - thanking Donald Randall for volunteering his musical talents and drumming skills for fundraising.

Res. No. 2522 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Dwayne Hunt for receiving a Scroll of Recognition for his 25 years of service with the Island Barrington Fire Department.

Res. No. 2523 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Edward Nickerson for receiving a Scroll of Recognition for his 25 years of service with the Shag Harbour Bear Point Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 2524 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to those supporting a fundraiser to help Emily Van Norden.

Res. No. 2525 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - thankingERMES staff

and volunteers.

Res. No. 2526 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Evelyn Richardson School students on exceeding a book reading challenge.

Res. No. 2527 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Ester Nickerson on being chosen Town of Clark's Harbour Volunteer of the Year.

Res. No. 2528 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Ethan Dixon and his team for winning the gold medal in the Shelburne County Minor Hockey Atom B League Tournament.

Res. No. 2529 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Ethan Nickerson and his team for winning the gold medal in the Shelburne County Minor Hockey Atom B League Tournament.

Res. No. 2530 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Etuk Oqallak and his team for winning the gold medal in the Shelburne County Minor Hockey Atom B League Tournament.

Res. No. 2531 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Eugene Stoddard for being awarded a Scroll of Recognition for 35 years of service for the Island Barrington Fire Department.

Res. No. 2532 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Fawn and Garvin Atkinson for their fundraising for the Wayne and Lynn Perry Scholarship.

Res. No. 2533 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - congratulations to Gabriel Penny and his team for winning the gold medal in the Shelburne County Minor Hockey Atom B League Tournament.

Res. No. 2534 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - thanking Dwight d'Eon for volunteering his musical talents for the Food for Shelburne County Fundraiser.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 119. Health Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Messrs. David A. Wilson and Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Richmond, moved the following Resolution:

Res. No. 2082 - Prem. - Gas Pricing: Plan - Develop

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Muir, Messrs. Steele, Colwell and Hon. Mr. Clarke. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Zinck and Theriault. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

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

No. E4, relating to the Department of Education. ADJOURNED.

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

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 146. Motor Vehicle Act

The debate resumed with Ms. Conrad, Mr. M. MacDonald and Hon. Mr. Scott 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.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, May 8th at 12:00 Noon.