

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Parker, Pictou West, tabled a petition opposed to cosmetic pesticides.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2535 - Hon. Mr. Barnet, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - recognition of World Red Cross/Red Crescent Day and the work year round of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

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

Res. No. 2536 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of the Round the World Clipper Yacht Race.

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

Res. No. 2537 - Hon. Mr. Hurlburt, Minister responsible for Military Relations - recognition of the ship's company of the HMCS Toronto for efforts to help those in distress.

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

Res. No. 2538 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of the first off-highway vehicle conference.

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

Res. No. 2539 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Services - recognition of the new office of the Disabled Persons Commission.

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

Res. No. 2540 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognizing the Joggins Fossil Centre and congratulate all those involved in ensuring the Joggins Fossil Cliffs remain a heritage resource.

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

Res. No. 2541 - Hon. Mr. Chisholm, Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture - recognizing the Sackville Rivers Association on its 20th anniversary.

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

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Colwell, Preston, tabled a petition opposed to cosmetic pesticides.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, rose to announce a new program to assist farmers who suffer losses on account of wildlife.

Comments with Messrs. MacDonell and Glavine.

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. 161. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2000, the Health Authorities Act

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

No. 162. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

(Mr. Colwell - Preston)**NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

Res. No. 2542 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to the Board of Directors of the Rawdon Hills Health Centre on their new permanent address.

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

Res. No. 2543 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - encouraging participation in 250 years of democracy in Nova Scotia celebrations.

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

Res. No. 2544 - Mr. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognition of the Board of Directors of the Victoria Highland Civic Centre.

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

Res. No. 2545 - Hon. Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of Sidney Crosby and winning the Hart Trophy as the most valuable player in the NHL.

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

Res. No. 2546 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation for promoting the screening method.

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

Res. No. 2547 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - applauding individuals in West Hants for their efforts supporting hockey.

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

Res. No. 2548 - Mr. Preyra - Halifax Citadel - recognizing the Dalhousie University and Saint Mary's University African Student Associations.

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

Res. No. 2549 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Joe Bishara on being named Reader's Digest Education Hero.

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

Res. No. 2550 - Mr. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulations to volunteers Anna McCrory and Jackie MacEachern and the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on their 135th year of service.

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

Res. No. 2551 - Mr. Paris, Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank - calling for information sessions to support better school board election voter participation.

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

Res. No. 2552 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - supporting local recreation programs and encouraging an active healthy lifestyle.

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

Res. No. 2553 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of Howard Beck on being chosen as New Glasgow Volunteer 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. 2554 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - congratulations to Sandra

Carver on her volunteer services.

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

Res. No. 2555 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - sending the bill to Paul Watson for upkeep of the ship Farley Mowatt.

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

Res. No. 2556 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to the Bedford Blues Midget Girls Hockey team on winning the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

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

Res. No. 2557 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Hannah Gillett on her contribution to the Halifax Regional School Board's Healthy Living Calendar.

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

Res. No. 2558 - Mr. Colwell, Preston - congratulations to the 2741 Eastern Marine Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps.

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

Res. No. 2559 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to Stuart Johnstone on his volunteer service.

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

Res. No. 2560 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - congratulations to Gene Cole on being named Provincial Volunteer for the Municipality of Pictou County.

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

Res. No. 2561 - Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education - recognition of Jake Pickard-Tattrie for being chosen male student of the month.

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

Res. No. 2562 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - supporting fishers in calling for a further review before cusk is named an endangered species.

Res. No. 2563 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - congratulations to Eleanor MacDonald and the Glace Bay Hospital Ladies Auxiliary.

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

Res. No. 2564 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognition of Dr. Bernie Benkel on receipt of a grant from the CFI Leading Edge Fund.

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

Res. No. 2565 - Ms. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulations to Autism Nova Scotia and others groups who provide support to the families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder.

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

Res. No. 2566 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognition of Fred Walsh on receipt of the Order of Canada.

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

Res. No. 2567 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - recognition of the Lunenburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 23 and the Lunenburg Meals on Wheels Program for 30 years of service.

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

Res. No. 2568 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Kimberly Fraser on winning the roots/traditional solo recording of the year for her fiddling release, *Falling On New Ground*.

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

Res. No. 2569 - Hon. Mr. McNeil, Leader of the Liberal Party - wishing the Atlantic Jewish Council great success on the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel.

Res. No. 2570 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - applauding those involved with the West Jeddore Rifle Range.

Res. No. 2571 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - applauding the contributions of St. James Anglican Church, Head of Jeddore, on celebrating its 165th anniversary.

Res. No. 2572 - Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - congratulations to several young horse riders on their participation in the Gastrogard & Equalan Gold Show Jumping Clinic.

Res. No. 2573 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - congratulations to Stellarton Legion Branch 28 on securing funding.

Res. No. 2574 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - applauding the work done by Jean Newcombe, Rhonda Fry and members of the Apple Valley Quilters.

Res. No. 2575 - Mr. Belliveau, Shelburne - commending the Grade 10 French Immersion class at Lockeport Regional High School for their participation in the Student Educational Voyages and Exchanges Canada program.

Res. No. 2576 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Meghan Murray for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2577 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Mel Hatter for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2578 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration -

congratulations to Jillian Baxter for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2579 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Katie Whitlock for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2580 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Kristin Armstrong for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2581 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Heather Eakins for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2582 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Alex Normore for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2583 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Manager Marie Normore.

Res. No. 2584 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Jessica Inman for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2585 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Rita Morley for her part in helping the Bedford Blues Midget Girls win the Wayne Gretzky Foundation Award.

Res. No. 2586 - Mr. Samson, Richmond - applauding the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission on their Cheers to Change initiative.

Res. No. 2587 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Alice and Paul Mullins and the Mullins family for 75 years of operating a family general store.

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: Mr. MacDonell, Ms. Whalen and Mr. Porter. 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. **STOOD.**

On motion, the following Resolution was called:

No. E5, relating to the Assistance to Universities, Department of Education was called. **STOOD.**

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.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 157. Financial Measures (2008) Act

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

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, May 9th at 8:00 A.M.