

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, rose to clarify a remark she made in jest yesterday, April 13th. She withdrew her remark.

Comments were made by Hon. M. Samson.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Hon. M. Scott, Cumberland South - tabled a petition concerning a correctional centre in Cumberland County.

Hon. M. Samson, Richmond, tabled a petition opposing tax increases.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 344 - Hon. M. More, Minister of Education - congratulating nominees and recipients on receiving awards at the 36th Annual Provincial Volunteer Awards.

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

Res. No. 345 - Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Immigration - recognizing Acadian Seaplants Ltd and their commitment to accommodating persons with disabilities in the workforce.

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

Res. No. 346 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health, on behalf of Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - recognizing the Black Educators Association on celebrating 40 years, the Indigenous Black and Mi'kmaq Program at Dalhousie on celebrating 20 years and the Halifax Community YMCA on celebrating 60 years.

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

Res. No. 347 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing the late Sgt. Mark Gallagher who was killed in Port-au-Prince when an earthquake struck.

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

Res. No. 348 - Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing Xstrata Coal and their dedication to the Donkin mine project.

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

Res. No. 349 - Hon. P. Paris, Minister of African Nova Scotian Affairs - congratulating the Black Business Initiative on its Business is Jammin' program.

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. 27. An Act to Amend Chapter 140 of the Revised Statutes, 1998, the Elections Act

(C. Porter - Hants West)

No. 28. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2002, the Fire Safety Act

(Hon. M. Scott - Cumberland South)

No. 29. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

(Hon. R. Jennex - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 350 - Hon. S. McNeil, Leader of the Official Opposition - recognizing Pink Shirt and Anti-Bullying Day.

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

Res. No. 351 - Hon. K. Casey, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party - recognizing the Anti-Bullying movement.

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

Res. No. 352 - J. Morton, Kings North - recognizing Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day.

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

Res. No. 353 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognizing Bill Wood, Will Perkins and 2b theatre on their awards at the 2010 Robert Merritt Awards.

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

Res. No. 354 - Hon. Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - recognizing Wendy Lill on her drama series, Backbencher.

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

Res. No. 355 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognizing Terry Clothier on his new career with Metro Transit in the ferry system.

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

Res. No. 356 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - recognizing Casa Bella Gifts, Wolfville on being awarded Best Gift Shop at the Best of Kings 2010 Celebration.

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

Res. No. 357 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - recognizing Dick Jensen for being named Nova Scotia Volunteer of the Year by the Atlantic Association of CBDC's.

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

Res. No. 358 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - recognizing the Glooscap Heritage Centre on receiving a \$10,000 grant from the province.

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

Res. No. 359 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing Queens Association for Supportive Living for taking over the Mill Village General Store.

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

Res. No. 360 - B. Kent - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing Mrs. Toope's Grade 4 class at Tallahassee Community School who raised \$1,253.35 for the Red Cross Haitian Relief Fund.

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

Res. No. 361 - L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - recognizing Margaret Michael on winning the 10th Annual Nova Scotia Recycles Contest.

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

Res. No. 362 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - congratulating owners Aaron Brown and Maria Gallardo of the Wildwood Café in Bridgewater

on being recognized by Progress Magazine as one of the best places to dine in Atlantic Canada.

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

Res. No. 363 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - recognizing Erin McSorley and her dedication to helping victims of Hurricane Katrina.

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

Res. No. 364 - J. Morton, Kings North - recognizing Beleaf Aveda Concept Salon & Spa in Kentville on winning the prize for Best Hair Salon and Barber at the Best of Kings 2010 Celebration.

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

Res. No. 365 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing Lighthouse Publishing staff for their national recognition by the Canadian Community Newspapers Association.

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

Res. No. 366 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - congratulating Guysborough County Kids First and their partners on being awarded one of the eight national projects, Moms Making the Move.

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

Res. No. 367 - Hon. D. Peterson-Rafuse, Chester-St. Margaret's - recognizing the 250th Anniversary Committee and chairperson Glenda Redden on their launch of a cancelled stamp representing the community of Chester Basin.

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

Res. No. 368 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Halifax Needham - recognizing John Wall Barger on his publication of *Pain-Proof Men*.

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

Res. No. 369 - Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne - recognizing Ena Nickerson on being the driving force behind the success of the Rosalin Nickerson Care Find Society's annual fundraiser, Walk for a Cause.

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

Res. No. 370 - V. Conrad, Queens - recognizing the Medway River Salmon Association for the award of Affiliate of the Year from the Nova Scotia Salmon Association.

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

Res. No. 371 - B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognizing Second Eastern Passage Scouts, Leaders and Volunteers for participating in the Toronto Dominion Great Shoreline Cleanup.

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

Res. No. 372 - G. Ramey, Lunenburg West - recognizing the Parkinson's Support Group and the Kiwanis Club of Bluenose Golden "K" on raising funds in support of Parkinson research and Programs.

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

Res. No. 373 - B. Skabar, Cumberland North - congratulating the Town of Amherst on receiving an Age Friendly Community Grant so they can continue to upgrade the Amherst Rotary Centennial Park.

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

Res. No. 374 - J. Morton, Kings North - recognizing Pulsifers Flowers & Foliage who were awarded the prize for Best Florist at the Best of Kings 2010 Celebrations.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 375 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing Second Story Women's Centre on receiving the Positive Aging Fund grant.

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

Res. No. 376 - J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - recognizing the Eastern Communities Youth Association on receiving funding from the Lighthouses Program.

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

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader called the following Resolution:

Res. No. 188 - Antigonish MLA: Election Misleading - Remind

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, M. Smith, Hon. M. Scott, Hon. D. Dexter and Hon. S. McNeil. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader called the following bill:

No. 20. Health-care Sustainability Advisory Council Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen, Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Hon. C. d'Entremont and L. Glavine. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, April 15th at 12:00 Noon.